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Library Happenings

January 2016

Lose Weight and Read More in 2016

One of the most useful steps to losing weight is to keep track of what you eat. For voracious readers, keeping track has the opposite effect! Jotting down the books you read will likely increase your reading, especially if you use online tools such as Goodreads, LibraryThing, Shelfari, or BookLikes.

After signing up with one of these websites, keep track of the books you read by searching for titles and adding them to your virtual bookshelf with just a few clicks. You may also rate books with 1 to 5 stars, write reviews, and easily share your books on Facebook and Twitter. As your shelf fills up, Goodreads will recommend other titles based on your favorites. Browse interesting lists like *Best Nonfiction of the Year* and *Best Little-Known Authors* or find readers who like the same authors you do and check out the other authors they rate highly.

On Shelfari, users add tags to describe story lines, characters, and tone. You can see all the books tagged as *page-turners, strong women, creepy* or *World War II* just by clicking on the tags. With thousands of reviews, ratings, tags, read-alike lists, and recommendations at your fingertips, you'll find dozens of books you want to read. How will you keep track of them? Create another bookshelf!

Lake County Public Library's Bookshelves

A tag cloud is a fun way to see which shelves have the most books.

Want to see what we're reading? We're happy to share our favorite books with you. Check out recommendations from LCPL staff by clicking the Goodreads link on our My Next Read page. If you'd rather talk to someone in person about what to read next, your local public library is the place to go! Libraries happen to be full of people who love talking about books.

Your local branch also has the resources you need to get fit this year with healthful cookbooks and DVDs running the gamut from relaxing yoga to fat-busting workouts. Why not try listening to an audio book instead of music during your walk? Nothing makes time fly on the treadmill like a compelling story read by an engaging narrator. Downloading audio books to a mobile device is free with the OverDrive app and the library's extensive selection available at overdrive.lcplin.org. Visit your local branch for help downloading LCPL's collection of downloadable eBooks, audio books, magazines, and music to your Kindle, Nook, iPad, tablet, or smart phone.

Best Wishes from the Lake County Public Library for a healthy year filled with good books!

Chris Rettig, Dyer-Schererville Branch

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Branch Library Happenings

Cedar Lake Branch

10010 E. 133rd Ave., Cedar Lake, IN 46303
374-7121
www.lcplin.org/branches/cl.htm

Brainteasers! Play & Win!
January 4-30 — **All Day**
To celebrate International Brainteaser month, brain-exercising games are available with prizes all month during library open hours.

Snack & Plan
Monday, Jan. 4 — **4 p.m.**
Teen members (11 & older) of the Teen Advisory Board will eat, play games, plan programs, and earn volunteers.

Crochet @ Your Library
Mondays, Jan. 4 & 18 — **7 p.m.**
Adults learn beginning stitches while working on a simple project. Bring yarn and a size H crochet hook.

Meet the Mouse
Wed., Jan. 6 or Mon., Jan. 18 — **1 p.m.**
Adults learn the basics of using the computer.

Make the Most of Library Computers
Wed., Jan. 6 or Mon., Jan. 18 — **2 p.m.**
Adults learn basic computer terminology and how to use OpenOffice to write, edit, and print.

Navigating the Net
Thursday, Jan. 7 — **1 p.m.**
Participants explore and learn about web addresses, links, search engines, and other aspects of the internet.

An Afternoon of Scrabble
Monday, Jan. 11 & 25 — **2 p.m.**
Play Scrabble with friends with all games and snacks provided.

History on the Big Screen
Tuesday, Jan. 12 — **2 p.m.**
Travel through history for an overview of college football with its legendary players and teams.

Tech Time
Tuesday, Jan. 12 & 13 — **4 p.m.**
Teens (11 and older) will learn basic programming, build a website, create a blog, make art, create their own arbot, and more.

Social Media Savvy
Tuesday, Jan. 14 — **1 p.m.**
or Monday, Jan. 18 — **6:30 p.m.**
Adults will learn the basics of signing up for Twitter, Facebook, and Pinterest, along with hints on how to use them.

Crafting Pins: PinPals
Saturday, Jan. 16 — **1-3 p.m.**
Adults will craft from creative ideas found on Pinterest. All supplies upcycling materials to make hats & scarves will be on hand.

Knitting Class
Monday, Jan. 18 & 25 — **7 p.m.**
Both beginning and experienced knitters will receive instruction. Bring size 7 knitting needles and cotton yarn.

Genealogy Basics
Tuesday, Jan. 19 — **1 p.m.**
Discover the amount of information available on the Internet for tracing your ancestors, learn to use Ancestry Library, and other databases.

Books & Chat
Wednesday, Jan. 20 — **1 p.m.**
Readers will discuss *The Husband's Secret* by Liane Moriarty.

Sensational Science
Thursday, Jan. 21 — **4 p.m.**
Teens will experiment, plan, build,and compute with sensational projects.

Ask a Librarian

Q: My friends and I just started a book club. We are trying to pick our first title. Help!

A: Lake County Public Library has over 300 "Book Club to Go" kits available for checkout. Each kit has 15 books (including some large print, if available), an author biography, book summary, and discussion questions, all in one convenient bundle.

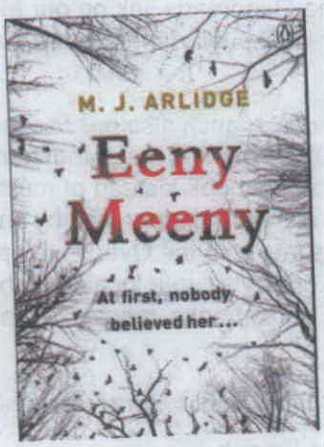
You can peruse the available titles on our website, www.lcplin.org. Go to: Read > Book Discussions > Book Club Kits > See All Book Club Kits. Search by title, author, genre, or age group. Or you can just browse the complete list of titles with cover images and brief descriptions.

Once you find a kit you want, click "Reserve this kit", select your dates, and enter your information. Due to popularity, some titles may not be immediately available. After reserving a title, you get 6 weeks with the kit to allow plenty of time to read the book selection.

Happy reading with your new book club!

Online! BOOKreMARKS

January 1 to 31



This is a month-long, online book discussion available to anyone, anywhere, at any time of day through email of: ***Eeny Meeny*** by M. J. Aldridge. Two people are abducted, imprisoned, and left with a gun. As hunger sets in, only one walks away alive.

To join the discussion send an email to **remarks@lcplin.org**.

Registration required for all programs by phone or online except where noted.

One-on-One Computer Instruction
Friday, Jan. 22 **10 a.m.**
Sign up for a one hour class on how to use the internet, set-up free email accounts, how to get eBooks, or any other question you may have.

Create an Artful Life
Saturday, Jan. 23 **10 a.m. & 1 p.m.**
Adults will work with acrylics on canvas with the assistance of a professional instructor. There is a $20 cash fee due at the time of class.

Travel the World Without Leaving Home
Tuesday, Jan. 26 **2 p.m.**
Enjoy arm chair travel as you visit the beautiful city of Stockholm, Sweden's capital, known as the 'Northern Venice.'

Teen GameFest
Wednesday, Jan. 27 **3-5 p.m.**
Teens 11 & older play games of choice, including *PlayStation* & *Wii*. Snacks, too!

Dyer-Schererville Branch
1001 W. Lincoln Hwy., Schererville, IN 46375
322-4731
www.lcplin.org/branches/ds.htm

Personalized Reading Suggestions
January 4 to 30 **All Day**
Call to schedule an appointment with a reader's adviser and start building your 'to read' list.

Independent Foreign Film
Monday, Jan. 4 **1 p.m.**
Based on true events, *Marie's Story* recounts the inspiring life a young deaf and blind girl's courageous journey to learn to communicate. In French with English subtitles, not rated, adults only, run time 94 minutes. *Registration is not required.*

Hoosier Film Series
Wednesday, Jan. 6 **1:30 p.m.**
Our Hoosier film series kicks off with *The Brady Bunch* Movie featuring Ft. Wayne's Shelley Long portraying the original Mrs. Brady, Florence Henderson from Dale, IN. Rated PG-13, run time 90 minutes.

Ask Me! Employment Resources
Tuesday, Jan 12 **2:30 p.m.**
Assistance provided to search jobs, organize a resume, acquire a free email account, applications online, and more.

Stamp Class
Tuesday, Jan 12 **6:30 p.m.**
With professional assistance, work on projects created with decorative paper and rubber stamps. There is a $5 fee due at the time of class.

Wii Sports for Seniors
Wednesday, Jan. 13 & 27 **2 p.m.**
Wii Sports requires a minimum of flexibility or speed, yet provides fun exercise and competition.

Mobile Device Support Group
Tuesday, Jan. 19 **2-4 p.m.**
We can answer your questions about cell phones, tablets, Kindles, and iPads.

Teen Winter Olympics
Tuesday, Jan. 19 **7 p.m.**
Teens (11 to 18) are invited to compete, skate, and take part in a winter wonderland from the comfort of the indoors.

Virtual Tourist
Wednesday, Jan. 20 **7 p.m.**
Tour the baking-hot shores of Egypt in this virtual visit. A local snack will be served.

Keep Calm & Color On
Monday, Jan. 25 **12:30 & 5:30 p.m.**
Adults can de-stress with pencils and intricate coloring sheets at either of these two sessions.

Bookdragons Club
Tuesday, Jan. 26 **6:30 p.m.**
This club for teens (11 to 18) lets them share what they've read and pick out new books for the library to purchase. Refreshments served.

Read Between the Lines
Wednesday, Jan. 27 **7 p.m.**
or Thursday, Jan. 28 **10:15 a.m.**
Read to discuss *The Whole Golden* World by Kristina Wriggle.

Griffith-Calumet Twp.
1215 E. 45th Ave., Griffith, IN 46319
838-2825
www.lcplin.org/branches/gr.htm

Saturday Scrappers
Saturday, Jan. 2 **11 a.m. - 4 p.m.**
Join this scrap book gathering while working on your scrap book. *Registration is not required.*

Create an Artful Life
Monday, Jan. 4 **3 p.m. & 6 p.m.**
Adults will work with acrylics on canvas with the assistance of a professional instructor. There is a $20 cas fee due at the time of class.

Paper Creations
Tuesday, Jan. 5 **1 p.m.**
With professional assistance, design personalized cards and more. There is a $5 fee due at the time of class. Bring adhesive and scissors.

StoryLovers Book Group
Tuesday, Jan. 5 **5:30 p.m.**
Wednesday, Jan. 6 **10:30 a.m.**
Read to discuss *The Assassin* by Clive Cussler. *Registration is not required.*

Thursday Threaders
Thursdays, Jan. 7 to 28 **10:30 a.m.**
Every or any Thursday bring and work on your own project while enjoying the company of others. *Registration is not required.*

An Afternoon of Scrabble
Thursday, Jan. 7 **2-4 p.m.**
Folks of all ages are invited to a fun afternoon of Scrabble.

Saturday Feature Film
Saturday, Jan. 9 **2 p.m.**
Chris Pratt stars in the newly released *Jurassic World*. This film is rated PG-13; run time is 124 minutes. *Registration is not required.*

Mystery Loves Co. Discussion
Monday, Jan. 11 **1 p.m.**
Read to discuss *Identical* by Scott Turow. *Registration is not required.*

Movie Wednesday
Wednesday, Jan. 13 **2 p.m.**
Adapted from Philippa Gregory's historical novel, *The Other Boylen Girl*, starring Scarlett Johansson, Natalie Portman, and Eric Bana is rated PG-13; run time is 115 minutes. *Registration is not required.*

Gardening Class
Monday, Jan. 18 **7 p.m.**
Master Gardener Dolly Foster shares tips and advice for both novice and veteran gardeners. *Registration is not required.*

Movie Wednesday
Wednesday, Jan. 20 **2 p.m.**
A former pro-baseball player's faith in God is restored when he meets and inspirational man with down syndrome in *Where Hope Grows*. Rated PG-13; run time is 95 minutes. *Registration is not required.*

Book Buddies
Monday, Jan. 25 **4 p.m.**
Read to discuss *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline. *Registration is not required.*

Moon Called Book Discussion
Monday, Jan. 25 **6:30 p.m.**
This book discussion of *The Passage* by Justin Cronin is for readers who enjoy urban fantasy. *Registration is not required.*

Graphic Novel Book Club
Thursday, Jan. 8 **5:30 p.m.**
Teens are invited to talk about the latest in graphic novels. *Registration is not required.*

Time to Travel
Wednesday, Jan. 27 **2 p.m.**
Travel to Egypt & the Red Sea, visit pyramids, mummies, and temples. *Registration is not required.*

Teen Anime Club
Thursday, Jan. 28 **6:30 p.m.**
Teens are invited to view an anime show rated TV-13. Snacks provided. *Registration is not required.*

The Last Saturday Club: Mardi Gras Celebration
Saturday, Jan. 30 **2:30 p.m.**
Get inspired by New Orleans – its history and its future; listen to jazz & zydeco and Jon Batiste; get tips on how to throw a Mardi Gras bash.

Branch Library Happenings

Highland Branch

2841 Jewett St., Highland, IN 46322
838-2394
www.lcplin.org/branches/hi.htm

History on Film
Monday, Jan. 4 — 2 & 6:30 p.m.
Take a mesmerizing journey back 2,200 years as you view *The Tomb of the Terra Cotta Warriors*. *Registration is not required.*

Teen Book Discussion
Wednesday, Jan. 6 — 3:45 p.m.
Teens will enjoy this discussion of *Three Times Luck* by Sheila Turnage. *Registration is not required.*

Indiana Actors in Film
Monday, Jan. 11 — 2 p.m. & 6 p.m.
Irene Dunne (from Madison, IN) stars with William Powell in *Life With Father*. Not rated; circa 1947; 118 minutes run time. *Registration is not required.*

Fiction Book Discussion
Tuesday, Jan. 12 — 2 p.m.
Read to discuss *Burial Rites* by Hannah Kent. *Registration is not required.*

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, Jan. 12 — 2 p.m.
Teen fans of anime will view an episode of *The Devil is a Part Timer*. *Registration is not required.*

Highland Crime Watch Meeting
Wednesday, Jan. 13 — 6:30 p.m.
The Crime Watch meeting is presided by Corporal Shawn Anderson (sanderson@highland.in.gov) and Officer Brandon Norris (bnorris@highland.in.gov). *Registration is not required.*

Card Games MASHUP
Thursday, Jan. 14 — 6 p.m.
Teens (10-18) are invited to bring cards and match wits (and decks) against other gamers. *Registration is not required.*.

Travel Film
Monday, Jan. 18 — 2 & 6:30 p.m.
Travel to China to see Hong Kong, Shanghai, the Garden of Harmonious Unity, and more. *Registration is not required.*

Teen Advisory Board
Wednesday, Jan. 20 — 3:45 p.m.
Snacks will be served and plans will be made for upcoming projects by and for teens. *Registration is not required.*

Stamp Camp
Wednesday, Jan. 20 — 6:30 p.m.
With professional assistance, participants will design customized greeting cards and more. Therre is a $5 fee due at the time of class.

Inspirational Book Discussion
Thursday, Jan. 21 — 2 p.m.
Read to discuss *Still Life* by Christa Parrish. *Registration is not required.*

Classic/Feature Film
Monday, Jan. 25 — 2 & 6 p.m.
Join us for the screen production of *Max*, a precision-trained military dog traumatized by the loss of his best friend. Rated PG; 111 minutes run time. *Registration is not required.*

Teen Game On!
Wednesday, Jan. 27 — 4 p.m.
Teens are invited to play all types of games: *PS2, Wii, Magic* and *Pokemon* cards, *Munchkin, Superhero Throwdown* and more. *Registration is not required.*

Once Upon a Crime
Thursday, Jan. 28 — 7 p.m.
Read to discuss *The Cuckoo's Calling, a murder mystery* by Robert Galbraith. *Registration is not required.*

Hobart Branch

100 N. Main St., Hobart, IN 46342
942-2243
www.lcplin.org/branches/ho.htm

Travel Midwest USA
Tuesday, Jan. 5 — 2 p.m.
Take a whirlwind tour across the Midwest region. Run time: 60 minutes.

Computer Class: iPad Tablet Help
Tuesday, Jan. 5 — 3 p.m.
Bring your iPad and we can help you learn how to use it effectively.

Adult Coloring Circle
Wednesday, Jan. 6 — 6 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 20 — 10:30 a.m.
Friday, Jan. 22 — 3 p.m.
Adults are invited to enjoy the tranquility and stress relief of coloring with a variety of designs and color pencils. *Registration is not required.*

Teen Movie
Saturday, Jan. 9 — 2 p.m.
Teens in grades 6 to 12 are invited to view the 2nd of Veronica Roth's dystopian trilogy to prepare the third's upcoming release. Rated PG-13, run time 119 minutes.

Book to Movie Matinee
Tuesday, Jan. 12 — 2 p.m.
Starring Matt Damon, this film features the iconic character Jason Bourne, from author Robert Ludlum's best-selling spy novels. *Registration is not required.*

Computer Class: Android Device Help
Tuesday, Jan. 12 — 3 p.m.
Bring your android device to the library where staff are available to help you use it effectively.

Teen Gaming
Wednesday, Jan. 13 — 6 p.m.
Teens (grade 6 and up) are invited to play *Wii, PlayStation,* and board games. Snacks provided.

Computer Class: Overdrive
Thursday, Jan. 14 — 3 p.m.
Learn how to access Overdrive to download free eBooks and eAudio-Books onto your tablet and/or laptop.

Contemporary Book Club
Tuesday, Jan. 19 — 10:30 a.m.
Read to discuss the murder mystery *Weight of Blood* by Laura McHugh.

Ask Me! Employment Resources
Tuesday, Jan. 19 — 3 p.m.
Assistance provided to search jobs, organize a resume, acquire a free email account, applications online, and more.

Identity Theft
Wednesday, Jan. 20 — 2:30 p.m.
Phillip Foreman from the Indiana Attorney General's Office offers tips to protect against America's fastest growing crime – identity theft. *Registration is not required.*

D-I-Y Sharpie Mug
Wednesday, Jan. 27 — 6 p.m.
Teens in 6th to 12 grade can bring a plain mug to design and decorate with sharpie markers that will be provided. *Registration is not required.*

Home Brewing
Saturday, Jan. 30 — 3-4:30 p.m.
Homewood Brewing Supply Co. offers an informational session on the basics of brewing beer at home. Adults 21 and older only.

Lake Station-New Chicago

2007 Central Avenue, Lake Station, IN 46405
962-2409
www.lcplin.org/branches/lsnc.htm

English as a Second Language
Mon. & Wed., Jan. 4 to 27 — 5-8 p.m.
Neighbors' Educational Opportunities offers English language classes free of charge. Call 219-850-4448 or visit www.neoadulted.org to register.

Book Chat
Thursday, Jan. 7 — 10:30 a.m.
Check out *Reconstructing Amelia* by Kimberly McCreight – read it – have opinion – enjoy snacks.

Registration required for all programs by phone or online except where noted.

Family Nutrition
Friday, Jan. 8 **11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**
Family Nutrition Adviser Belinda Stepnowski will discuss a variety of food and nutrition topics, demonstrating how to prepare quick, tasty, and healthy, low-cost foods.

Coffee, Donuts, and a Movie
Wednesday, Jan. 13 **10:30 a.m.**
Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman star in *Casablanca.* Not rated, 103 minutes run time.

Movie Wednesday
Wednesday, Jan. 13 **2 p.m.**
Batkid Begins is a heartwarming story of a child's fantasy come true through the Make-a-Wish Foundation. Rated PG; run time 87 minutes.

Talk to a Lawyer
Monday, Jan. 18 **10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**
To commemorate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, the local Bar Association is offering free, 10 to 15 minute, legal consults, on a first-come, first-served basis. No appointments needed.

Merrillville Branch

1919 W. 81st Ave., Merrillville, IN 46410
769-3541
www.lcplin.org/branches/cnl.htm

Color Outside the Lines
Mon., Jan. 4 & Thurs., Jan. 28 **6:30 p.m.**
Adults can relax while coloring beautiful images specially designed for adults. All materials provided. *Registration is not required.*

English as a Second Language
Mon. & Wed., **January 11 to 27**
Classes include speaking, reading, and writing English at various levels of instruction free of charge. Contact the Literacy Coordinator at Ext. 336 for further details.

Circle of Readers Book Discussion
Thursday, Jan. 14 **6:15 p.m.**
Read to discuss *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* by C. Alan Bradley. *Registration is not required.*

Celebrate Indiana with a Movie
Saturday, Jan. 16 **1 p.m.**
Celebrate Indiana's Bicentennial viewing the 1954 film *On the Waterfront* featuring Karl Malden from Gary, IN. Not rated: 108 minutes run time. *Registration is not required.*

Create an Artful Life
Monday, Jan. 18 **10 a.m.**
Adults will work with acrylics on canvas with the assistance of a professional instructor. There is a $20 fee due at the time of class.

eBook Monday
Monday, Jan. 18 **2-4 p.m.**
Learn how to download and read free ebooks and digital magazines from the library's Overdrive, Zinio, and Flipster. *Registration is not required.*

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, Jan. 19 **6-8 p.m.**
Teen fans of anime will watch the first three episodes of *Yona of the Dawn.* Snacks provided.

Introduction to Alzheimer's Disease
Friday, Jan. 22 **10 a.m.**
Join this free informational and interactive session that focuses on understanding progressive dementia; followed by a light lunch and an advanced issues session.

Movie Time
Saturday, Jan. 23 **1 p.m.**
Paul Rudd and Michael Douglass are featured in the film production *Ant-Man.* Rated PG-13, run time 117 minutes. *Registration is not required.*

I Work Here! Ask Me About Genealogy
Thursday, Jan. 28 **2-4 p.m.**
Today's topic: Social Security Applications. Library staff are available in the Genealogy Room to help with your family history questions and research.

Munster Branch

8701 Calumet Ave., Munster, IN 46321
836-8450
www.lcplin.org/branches/mu.htm

ShadowHunters
Thursday, Jan. 7 **3:30 p.m.**
Teens will celebrate the release of the tv show *ShadowHunters* based on the book series: *The Immortal Instruments* by Cassandra Clare by playing games. Snacks served.

Beyond Great Books
Wednesday, Jan. 13 **6:30 p.m.**
Join a discussion on selections from *Plato's Republic* by Socrates in which he constructs his ideal city to discover wherein justice lies.

Travel Film Series
Thursday, Jan. 21 **2 p.m.**
Madagascar, called the 'Pearls of the Indian Ocean,' is one of the world's most valuable habitats.

Joy of Coloring
Wednesday, Jan. 27 **1-3 p.m.**
Come socialize, create, and shake off stress using color pencils and amazing coloring sheets.

Thursday Afternoon Book Discussion
Thursday, Jan. 28 **1:30 p.m.**
Join us for a lively discussion of *The Paris Architect* by Charles Belfoure.

Great Books Discussion
Thursday, Jan. 28 **6:30 p.m.**
Readers are invited to a discourse of The Bible-*Ecclesiastes,* a selection from the fifth series of Great Books.

Fifth Friday Book Club
Friday, Jan. 29 **10:30 a.m.**
Join us for a lively discussion of *The Story of Beautiful Girl* by Rachel Simon.

Scratch for Teens
Tuesday, Jan. 26 **3:30 p.m.**
Teens will learn the basics of Scratch, a programming software to make animated interactive art.

St. John Branch

9450 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN 46373
365-5379
www.lcplin.org/branches/sj.htm

Stamp Camp
Monday, Jan. 4 **6:30 p.m.**
With professional assistance, design customized greeting cards and more. There is a $5 fee due at the time of class.

Travel Film Series
Tuesday, Jan. 5 **2 p.m.**
Explore Istanbul and Turquoise Coast in Turkey. Refreshments served.

Color Your Stress Away
Wednesday, Jan. 6 **2-4 p.m.**
Adults (only) can relax and relieve stress using color pencils and intricately designed paper.

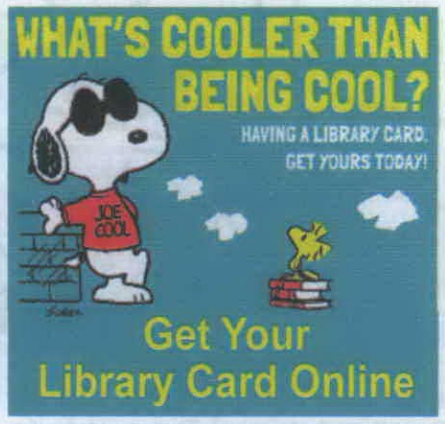
Sit & Stitch
Wednesdays, Jan. 6 & 20 **6:30 p.m.**
Bring your crochet, knitting, or sewing project to gather with others who have a common thread.

Gardening Class
Monday, Jan. 11 **7 p.m.**
Experienced gardeners as well as beginners are invited to this gardening class co-sponsored with the St. John Garden Club.

Page Turners Book Club
Wednesday, Jan. 13 **6:30 p.m.**
Read to discuss *The Secret Life of Violet Grant* by Beatriz Williams.

Make & Take: Crafts for Teens
Thursday, Jan. 21 **6 p.m.**
Teens (6th - 12th grades) will create a craft in an evening filled with food and fun.

Classic Film Series
Thursday, Jan. 28 **2 p.m.**
The Pajama Game features the talents of Doris Day in this 1957 musical. Not rated: 101 minutes run time.



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2016 READ-a-THON

The Lake County Public Library Foundation is once again hosting the annual Read-a-Thon from Monday, January 11th through Friday, February 19th. This 6 week event is open to all children from preschoolers through 8th grade. While most schools in Lake County Public Library district participate, home schooled children and individual children whose school does not participate are welcomed and encouraged to join in on their own through the local branch library.

Prizes are presented to ***every*** child that participates, including recognition ribbons, 10" to 20" trophies, and gift cards, all depending on the volume of books read and funds generated. The Sponsor/Booklist Record envelopes and the Read-a-Thon Rules/Checklist flyers are available through participating school librarians as well as your local branch library.

Readers Are Winners!

The Library's Mission: The purpose of the Lake County Public Library is to provide the highest quality informational, educational, cultural, and recreational resources and services to residents of all ages in the Lake County Public Library district.

January

Children's Classes

Happy New Year

MOTHER GOOSE ON THE LOOSE!

Storytimes

Birth-23 mo.
and a caregiver

This 30 minute lapsit program uses songs, rhymes, and finger plays to encourage interaction and foster language development and motor skills.

Cedar Lake Branch:
3rd Friday 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Monday 10:30 a.m.
or 2nd & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Highland Branch:
1st & 3rd Tuesday 6:30 a.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Lake Station-New Chicago
4th Friday 10:30 a.m.

Merrillville Branch
1st & 3rd Monday 10 a.m.

Munster Branch
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

2-3 Year Olds

This 45 minute program is filled with stories, songs, and finger plays, and a craft.

(Caregivers must be present during program.)

Cedar Lake Branch:
2nd & 4th Thursday 10:30 a.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Wed. 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Highland Branch:
2nd & 4th Monday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
2nd & 4th Monday 10:30 a.m.
2nd Friday 10:30 a.m.

Lake Station-New Chicago
4th Monday 10:30 a.m.

Merrillville Branch
2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesday 10 a.m.

Munster Branch
1st & 4th Mon. 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

St. John Branch:
1st & 3rd Tues. 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

4-5 Year Olds

This hour program is filled with stories, songs, finger plays, and a craft.

Cedar Lake Branch:
1st & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m., 1 p.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Monday 1:30 p.m.
or 2nd & 3rd Tuesday 1:30 p.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp Branch
1st & 3rd Tuesday 1:00 p.m.

Highland Branch:
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
3rd Monday 1:30 p.m.

Merrillville Branch
2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesday 11 a.m.

Munster Branch
1st & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
2nd & 4th Monday 1 p.m.
2nd, & 4th Tuesday 10:30 a.m.

Cedar Lake Branch

10010 W. 133rd Avenue
Cedar Lake, IN 46303
374-7121
www.lcplin.org/branches/cl.htm

Learning & More @ the Library
January 4 to 30 — **All Day**
Children will enjoy early literacy activities, crafts, and more during library open hours.

'Paws' for Reading & Fun
Wednesday, Jan. 6 — **5 p.m.**
Children of all ages and all reading levels are invited to read library books to the licensed therapy dogs and participate in reading activities, games, and crafts.

LEGO Mania
Thursday, Jan. 7 — **4 p.m.**
Children through grade 6 will make and display their creations made with library LEGO bricks. Snacks provided.

STEAM Fridays
Friday, Jan. 8 to 29 — **All Day**
Using Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math, all will enjoy experimenting, designing, building, computing, and crafting during library open hours.

Dyer-Schererville Branch

1001 W. Lincoln Highway
Schererville, IN 46375
322-4731
www.lcplin.org/branches/ds.htm

Craft Table for Children
January 2 to 30 — **All Day**
Children of all ages can make a craft any time during library open hours.

Kids Art Club
Tuesday, Jan. 5 — **4:30 p.m.**
Children from 7 to 12 years of age will learn the basics of art history and appreciation, along with creating artwork of their own.

Dynamite DUPLOs
Wednesday, Jan. 6 — **10:30 a.m.**
This 30 minute class is dedicated toward 2 to 5 year old children and includes simple patterning and building activities with library DUPLO blocks.

LEGO Club
Thursday, Jan. 7 — **6:30 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will use library LEGO bricks to creatively build unique projects.

Power Paws for Kids
Saturday, Jan. 16 — **11 a.m.**
Children of all ages and reading levels have the opportunity to read a library book to one of the registered Delta Society Pet Partner dogs. *Registration is not required.*

Home School Art Club
Wednesday, Jan. 27 — **10:30 a.m.**
Children ages 7 to 12 will learn the basics of art history and appreciation, along with creating artwork of their own.

Griffith-Calumet Branch

1215 E. 45th Avenue
Griffith, IN 46319
838-2825
www.lcplin.org/branches/gr.htm

Art Club
Monday, Jan. 4 — **6 p.m.**
Kids in kindergarten through grade 5 will create a fun project and learn something new about art.

STEAM Team – It's Alive!
Thursday, Jan. 7 — **6 p.m.**
Kids from 1st to 5th grade will learn about electricity and talk about Frankenstein, using games, experiments, and crafts to explore our topic.

Home School Kids – Show & Tell
Friday, Jan. 15 — **10:30 a.m.**
Home school kids are invited to bring an object or treasure, tell us about something you've learned or something you can do, share with others, play a game, and have a snack.

LEGO Mania
Monday, Jan. 18 — **4 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will build with library LEGO blocks.

Highland Branch

2841 Jewett Street
Highland, IN 46322
838-2394
www.lcplin.org/branches/hi.htm

Family Story Hour
Tuesdays, Jan. 12 & 26 — **6:30 p.m.**
Families with children 3 to 6 years of age will enjoy fingerplays, music, and a craft.

LEGO CLUB
Wednesday, Jan. 13 — **3:30 p.m.**
Children who have completed kindergarten to grade 6 can free build or build the 'challenge' project with library LEGO blocks.

Registration required for all programs by phone or online except where noted.

Saturday Movie
Saturday, Jan. 23 **1 p.m.**
Cuba Gooding Jr. stars as a dentist who inherits a home in Alaska and wants to participate in a sled-dog race in *Snow Dogs*. Rated PG, 100 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Hobart Branch

100 Main Street
Hobart, IN 46342
942-2243
www.lcplin.org/branches/ho.htm

LEGO Night
Tuesday, Jan. 5 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will use their imagination to create structures using library LEGO bricks.

'Tweens
Tuesday, Jan. 12 **6 p.m.**
'Tweens, 9 to 12 years of age, will play board games and discuss ideas for future programs.

Winter Crafting
Tuesday, Jan. 19 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten through grade 6 will make a winter craft and hear a snow story.

Lake Station-New Chicago Branch

2007 Central Avenue
Lake Station, IN 46405
962-2409
www.lcplin.org/branches/lsnc.htm

Winter Story Time
Wednesday, Jan. 6 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten and up will hear a winter story and make a winter themed craft.

Winter Family Story Time
Friday, Jan. 8 **10:30 a.m.**
Families with children 5 years of age and younger will participate in a story time with songs, finger plays, and a winter themed craft.

Super 'Tweens
Wednesday, Jan. 13 **6 p.m.**
'Tweens, ages 9 to 13, are invited to bring a t-shirt (new or used) to make a t-shirt bag.

Family Crafting
Tuesday, Jan. 19 **6 p.m.**
All ages are welcome to turn stray socks into adorable snowmen.

It's LEGO Night
Thursday, Jan. 28 **6 p.m.**
Children of all ages are invited to create their own unique LEGO structures. Refreshments served.

Merrillville Branch

1919 W. 81st Avenue
Merrillville, IN 46410
769-3541, Ext. 360
www.lcplin.org/branches/cnl.htm

Family Movie
Saturday, Jan. 2 **1 p.m.**
All members will enjoy a fun movie during winter break. *Inside Out* is rated PG, 94 minutes run time. *Registration is not required.*

Saturday Stories: Happy Noon Year
Saturday, Jan. 2 **11 a.m.**
The entire family is invited to celebrate the New Year with a special one-hour story time. *Registration is not required.*

Board Game Fun
Wednesday, Jan. 6 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 5 will meet to play fun board games. Family members are welcome to join in.

Homeschool Hangout: Game On!
Thursday, Jan. 7 **10:30 a.m.**
Homeschool families can meet to play fun board games provided by the library, or can bring their own as well.

LEGO Club
Tuesday, Jan. 12 **4 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 5 will have fun making their own unique LEGO structures. The only requirement is imagination!

'Tween Duct Tape Mania
Thursday, Jan. 14 **4 p.m.**
Kids in grades 5 and 6 are welcome to join us in making duct tape crafts.

Movie Fun @ Your Library
Friday, Jan. 15 **1-3 p.m.**
All are invited to watch a family film, *The Minions*, on the big screen. Snacks will be provided. Young children must be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday Stories: Bubbles & Balloons
Saturday, Jan. 16 **11 a.m.**
All members of the family are invited to a 30 minute session of stories, songs, and finger plays. *Registration is not required.*

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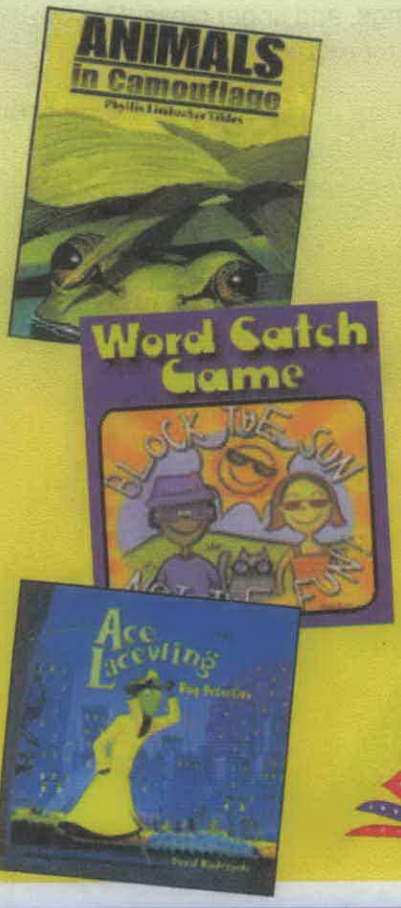


Gaming Night
Wednesday, Jan. 20 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 5 are invited to play *Wii, PlayStation2*, and board games. Snacks served.

Homeschool Hangout: Show & Tell
Thursday, Jan. 21 **10:30 a.m.**
Children and teens can bring a special project or item to share with the group.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover
Thursday, Jan. 28 **4 p.m.**
Children ages 5 through those in 4th grade will play games and make crafts. Come in your pajamas and bring your second favorite stuffed animal that will spend the night in the library.

Saturday Stories: Farmyard Fun
Saturday, Jan. 30 **11 a.m.**
All members of the family are invited to a 30 minute session of stories, songs, and finger plays. *Registration not required.*

Munster Branch

8701 Calumet Avenue
Munster, IN 46321
836-8450
www.lcplin.org/branches/mu.htm

Power Paws for Kids
Thursday, Jan. 7 **6 p.m.**
Children of all ages and all reading levels will have fun reading library books to therapy dogs.

Chess Club
Fridays, Jan. 8, 15, 22 **3-5:30 p.m.**
All levels of experience are welcome to play Chess in this program facilitated by Jeffrey Graves.

LEGO Building
Thursday, Jan. 14 **5:30-7 p.m.**
Young LEGO enthusiasts, kindergarten and up, can stop by any time from 5:30 to 7 p.m. for creative building time with library LEGO blocks.

St. John Branch

9450 Wicker Avenue (US 41)
St. John, IN 46373
365-5379
www.lcplin.org/branches/sj.htm

Board Game Fun
Monday, Jan. 4 **4:30 p.m.**
Children of all ages can play board games at the library.

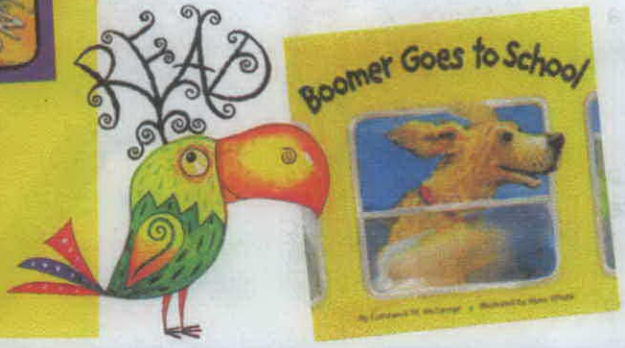
Let it Snow
Thursday, Jan. 7 **4:30 p.m.**
Children from kindergarten to 5th grade will enjoy snow painting and other snow related activities. Be sure to bring a coat!

LEGO Freebuild
Saturday, Jan. 16 **11 a.m.**
Young LEGO enthusiasts are invited to use their imagination to build with the library's LEGO blocks.

Family Story Time
Monday, Jan. 18 **6:30 p.m.**
Children and their families will participate in stories, crafts, and other activities.

Power Paws for Kids
Saturday, Jan. 23 **11 a.m.**
Children of all ages and reading levels will read library books to Power Paws service dogs.

Jigsaw Jamboree
Tuesday, Jan. 26 **4:30 p.m.**
Children are invited to celebrate National Puzzle Day with activities that include a variety of puzzles and games.



Boomer Goes to School!

Boomer is going to school! Like many new students, Boomer finds that going to school can be a bit confusing . . . at first. But in the end, he discovers that school is a great place for friends, learning, and fun!

Registration required for all programs by phone or online except where noted.

LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Library Happenings

February 2016

One-on-One Classes @ Your Library

Did you know that you can "book" a librarian for a free One-on-One computer session?

Did you recently get a new eReader, tablet, smartphone, or computer? Learning how to use a new device can be tough, but we are here to help! The library has oodles of free online books and magazines available to full access library card holders. Bring your new device with you to a One-on-One class! We can walk you through how to search for an eBook, eMagazine, or eAudio-Book so you can then check it out onto your device right away. We even have a wide variety of music that you can download (free of charge, of course).

Need more time with a teacher after completing one of our computer classes? We can show you how to use the library's OpenOffice products on one of our computers; or, if you bring your laptop from home we can go over the basics of how to use Microsoft Excel, Word, or Powerpoint. Some branches, like Highland, even have Apple product aficionados on staff who are more than happy to help with basic Garageband or iMovie questions.

A One-on-One class may be right for you if you can't make it to one of our "Ask Me I Work Here" employment resource sessions. We can get you started on creating your resume, cover letter, or filling out an online job application.

And the options keep coming! Need us to take you through how to post a photo from your smartphone to a friend's Facebook wall? Done! Want to learn how to play a new song on your guitar? We can teach you how to navigate YouTube.com so you can watch an expert play it first. Having trouble with a school project? We can show you which research databases to use. Want to find out more about your family history? We can give you tips on how to navigate our virtual genealogy resources. One-on-One time with a librarian lets us help you tackle technology questions at your own pace.

We offer these classes at all the branches of the Lake County Public Library, but the spots fill up fast. Call your branch today and let us teach you how to get the most out of your library card!

Jennifer Billingsley, Highland Branch Librarian

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Branch Library Happenings

Cedar Lake Branch

10010 E. 133rd Ave., Cedar Lake, IN 46303
374-7121
www.lcplin.org/branches/cl.htm

Crochet @ Your Library
Mondays, Feb. 1 & 15 — 7 p.m.
Learn beginning stitches while working on a simple project. Bring yarn and size H crochet hook.

Knitting Class
Mondays, Feb. 1 & 15 — 7 p.m.
Both beginning & experienced knitters will receive instruction. Bring size 7 knitting needles and cotton yarn.

Computer Class: Navigating the Net
Saturday, Feb. 6 — 1 p.m.
Explore & learn about web addresses, links, search engines and other aspects of the internet.

Great Decisions Discussion Group
Mondays, Feb. 8 & 22 — 6:30 p.m.
Great Decisions, a 12 month national foreign policy discussion program, is being offered for the first time at this branch. This month's topic is *Middle East Alliances*. Registration optional.

History on the Big Screen
Tuesday, Feb. 9 — 2 p.m.
To commemorate Indiana's Bicentennial, explore Indiana University Basketball, it's glory years and players.

Love Stinks!
Tues. & Wed., Feb. 9 & 10 — 4 p.m.
Teens will un-celebrate Valentine's Day with cranky crafts, spiteful snacks, games, and more.

Books & Chat
Wednesday, Feb. 17 — 6:30 p.m.
Readers will discuss *Madonnas of Lennigrad* by Debra Dean.

Sensational Science
Thursday, Feb. 18 — 4 p.m.
Teens can experiment, plan, build and compute focusing on CSI crime-solving science.

Ask a Librarian

Q: How do I go about requesting obituary records for a person I find using the "Post Tribune/Gary Post Tribune Online Obituary Index (1921-current)"?

What is the cost?

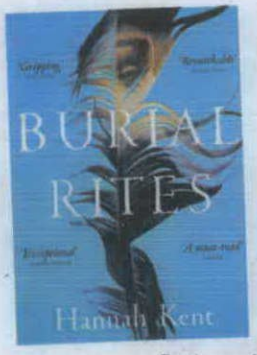
A: We are glad to help you with your obituary request. Please send us the name of the individual and date with the page number so we can scan the obituary through Ask-a-Librarian. It will come to you as an attachment that you can open and make copies.

Our Library provides scanning indexed obituaries from the microfilm as a free service. However, for the convenience of those who wish to make a contribution to our library, a link to "say thanks" is provided at the bottom of the "Ask A Librarian" introduction page if you desire to do so.

Online!

BOOKreMARKS

February 1 to 29



This is a month-long online book discussion through email of *Burial Rites* by Hannah Kent.

Agnes is an Icelander maid charged with the brutal murder of her former employer. Since there is no prison in the isolated area, she is sent to a local family farm to await execution. Horrified at the prospect of housing a convicted murderer, the family at first avoids Agnes. Only a young priest Agnes has mysteriously chosen to be her spiritual guardian, seeks to understand her. But as Agnes's death looms, the farmer's wife and their daughters learn there is another side to the sensational story they've heard.

To join the discussion send an email to remarks@lcplin.org

Registration required for all programs by phone or online except where noted.

Travel the World Without Leaving Home
Tuesday, Feb. 23 **2 p.m.**
Tour scenic Washington, the Evergreen State.

Teen GameFest
Wednesday, Feb. 24 **3-5 p.m.**
Play *Wii, PlayStation*, and/or board games. Snacks & drinks provided.

Create an Artful Life
Saturday, Feb. 27 **10 a.m. or 1 p.m.**
Adults will work with acrylics and canvas with the assistance of a professional instructor. There is a $20 cash fee due at the time of class.

Dyer-Schererville Branch

1001 W. Lincoln Hwy., Schererville, IN 46375
322-4731
www.lcplin.org/branches/ds.htm

Personalized Reading Suggestions
Feb. 1 to 29 **All Day**
Schedule an appointment with a reader's adviser to start building your 'to read' list.

Independent Film
Monday, Feb. 1 **1 p.m.**
The darkly humorous *Amour Fou* was inspired by the 1811 real-life double suicide of renowned authors Heinrich von Kleist and Heriette Vogel. Not rated; adults only; English subtitles; run time 96 minutes.

Create an Artful Life
Saturday, Feb. 6 **10 a.m.**
Adults will work with acrylics and canvas with the assistance of a professional instructor. There is a $20 cash fee due at the time of class. Must register 3 days prior to the class.

Stamp Class
Tuesday, Feb. 9 **6:30 p.m.**
Participants will work on projects created with rubber stamps, ink and decorative paper. There is a $5 fee due at the time of class.

***Wii Sports* for Seniors**
Wednesday, Feb. 10 & 24 **2 p.m.**
Wii Sports doesn't require much flexibility or speed – if you can move your arm, you're set! *Registration not required.*

Teen Advisory Board
Wednesday, Feb. 10 **6:30 p.m.**
Teens (11-18) are invited to an evening of food, fun, and planning for summer events.

Hoosier Film Series
Thursday, Feb. 11 **1:30 p.m.**
Hands Across the Table features Carole Lombard (born in Ft. Wayne), Ralph Bellamy & Fred MacMurray). Not rated, run time 81 minutes.

***Downton Abbey* Finale Tea Party**
Tuesday, Feb. 16 **2-4 p.m.**
Proper tea attire is not mandatory, but exquisite manners are at this tea party celebrating the *Downton Abbey* finale.

Iron Chef Challenge
Tuesday, Feb. 16 **6:30-8 p.m.**
Teens (11-18) are invited to an evening of pizza and testing different ingredients.

Virtual Tourist
Wednesday, Feb. 17 **7 p.m.**
Visit the land down under. A local Australian snack will be served. *Registration not required.*

Book Dragons Teen Book Club
Tuesday, Feb. 23 **6:30 p.m.**
Teens share what they've read, enjoyed or hated, and pick out new books for the library to purchase. Refreshments served. *Registration not required.*

Between the Lines
Wednesday, Feb. 24 **7 p.m.**
or Thursday, Feb. 25 **10:15 a.m.**
Read to discuss *The Supremes at Earl's All-You-Can-Eat* by Edward Kelsey. *Registration not required.*

Keep Calm & Color On
Monday, Feb. 29 **12:30 or 5:30 p.m.**
Adults can de-stress and relax with pencils and intricate coloring sheets.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch

1215 E. 45th Ave., Griffith, IN 46319
838-2825
www.lcplin.org/branches/gr.htm

Create an Artful Life
Monday, Feb. 1 **3 or 6 p.m.**
Adults will work with acrylics and canvas with the assistance of a professional instructor. There is a $20 cash fee due at the time of class.

Paper Creations
Tuesday, Feb. 2 **1 p.m.**
With professional assistance, design personalized cards and more. The $5 fee covers materials; due at the time of class.

StoryLovers Book Group
Tuesday, Feb. 2 **5:30 p.m.**
or Wednesday, Feb. 3 **10:30 a.m.**
Read to discuss *The Boleyn Inheritance* by Phillippa Gregory. *Registration not required.*

Thursday Threaders
Thursdays **10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**
Every or any Thursday bring and work on your own project while enjoying the company of others. *Registration not required.*

Scrabble Afternoon
Thursday, Feb. 4 **2-4 p.m.**
Folks of all ages are invited to a fun afternoon of Scrabble. *Registration not required.*

Saturday Scrappers
Saturday, Feb. 6 **11 a.m. - 4 p.m.**
Join this scrap book gathering to chat with others while working on your own projects. *Registration not required.*

Mystery Loves Co. Discussion
Monday, Feb. 8 **1 p.m.**
Read to discuss *Murder at the Breakers* by Alyssa Maxwell. *Registration not required.*

Great Decisions Discussion Group
Tuesdays, Feb. 9 & 23 **6:30 p.m.**
The 2016 season opens with a discussion of *Middle East Alliances*. Registration optional.

The Joy of Coloring
Thursday, Feb. 11 **2 p.m.**
Adults are invited to stop in for coffee, tea, light refreshments and coloring. *Registration not required.*

Gardening
Monday, Feb. 15 **7 p.m.**
Learn to build a beautiful oasis rain garden with Master Gardener Dolly Foster.

Meet Your Local Hockey Heroes
Tuesday, Feb. 16 **4:30 p.m.**
Kickoff *Hockey Weekend Across America* by hearing from some of the Munster Hockey Team players – how they got started, why they play. *Registration not required.*

Branch Library Happenings

Movie Wednesday
Wednesday, Feb. 17 — 2 p.m.
View *Mr. Holmes* starring Ian McKellen on the library's cinematic screen. Rated PG; run time 104 minutes. *Registration not required.*

Moon Called Book Discussion
Monday, Feb. 22 — 6:30 p.m.
For readers who enjoy urban fantasy and paranormal fiction, read to discuss *First Grave on the Right* by Darynda Jones.

Time to Travel Series
Wednesday, Feb. 24 — 2 p.m.
Travel to the Turkish Riviera on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea. *Registration not required.*

Graphic Novel Book Club
Thursday, Feb. 25 — 5:30 p.m.
Teen fans of graphic novels are welcome to read and discuss *Last Fantasy*, Vol. 1 by Yong-Wan Kwon. Snacks provided.

Teen Anime Club
Thursday, Feb. 25 — 6:30 p.m.
Teens will watch an episode of a popular new anime series rated TV-13. Snacks provided. *Registration not required.*

Bicentennial Tea
Saturday, Feb. 27 — 1-4 p.m.
Celebrate Indiana's Bicentennial 1816 to 2016 at this special tea. Please be sure to register.

Book Buddies
Monday, February 29 — 4 p.m.
Read to discuss *One On One* by Jo Jo Moyes.

It's Leap Year
Monday, Feb. 29 — 6 p.m.
Celebrate this year's extra day watching *Leap Year* starring Amy Adams and Matthew Goode. Rated PG, 100 minutes run time.

Highland Branch

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838-2394
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History on Film
Monday, Feb. 1 — 2 & 6:30 p.m.
Tour the Forbes Collection and the Hillwood Museum in the film *The Czar's Faberge Eggs*. *Registration not required.*

Teen Book Discussion - Speed Dating With A Book
Wednesday, Feb. 3 — 3:45 p.m.
Come and try to make a match with the the book of your dreams! *Registration not required.*

Ten Tips for Better Photography
Wednesday, Feb. 3 — 6:30-8 p.m.
3H Camera Club of Illinois & Indiana members offer tips to help all take better pictures with a camera.

Indiana Actors in Film
Monday, Feb. 8 — 2 & 6 p.m.
Brendan Fraser (born in Indianapolis), Shirley MacLaine, and Ricki Lake star in the feature film *Mrs. Winterbourne*. Rated PG-13; 120 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Fiction Book Discussion
Tuesday, Feb. 9 — 2 p.m.
Read to discuss *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel. *Registration not required.*

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, Feb. 9 — 6 p.m.
Teens will view three episodes of *Free! - Iwatobi Swim Club*, while munching on snacks. *Registration not required.*

Movie Roast of *Twilight*
Saturday, Feb. 13 — 2-4 p.m.
Celebrate Valentine's Day without the romance by 'roasting' the movie *Twilight*; rated PG13.

Travel Film
Monday, Feb. 15 — 2 & 6:30 p.m.
Tour South Africa – impressive due to its size and to its amazing variety of fascinating scenery.

Teen Advisory Board
Wednesday, Feb. 17 — 3:45 p.m.
Snacks will be served as teens make plans for upcoming projects. *Registration not required.*

Stamp Camp
Wednesday, Feb. 17 — 6:30 p.m.
With professional assistance, design and complete customized greeting cards and more. There is a $5 fee due at the time of class.

Inspirational Book Discussion
Thursday, Feb. 18 — 2 p.m.
Read to discuss *To See the Moon Again* by Jamie Langston Turner. *Registration not required.*

Teen Card Game *Mashup*
Thursday, Feb. 18 — 6 p.m.
Bring your cards and match your wits (and decks) against other gamers. *Registration not required.*

Gardening
Thursday, Feb. 18 — 6:30 p.m.
Master Gardener Susan Radovich presents a class on the gardens in Paris. *Registration not required.*

Classic Film
Monday, Feb. 22 — 2 & 6 p.m.
Young at Heart features Frank Sinatra, Doris Day, Gig Young and the timeless tunes of the Gershwin brothers. *Registration not required.*

Once Upon a Crime
Thursday, February 25 — 7 p.m.
Read to discuss *Murder 101* by Faye Kellerman. *Registration not required.*

Feature Film
Monday, February 29 2 & 6 p.m.
Batkid Begins, the story of 'Make-A-Wish' Foundation's fulfillment of a child's wish is rated PG; run time 87 minutes. *Registration not required.*

Hobart Branch

100 N. Main St., Hobart, IN 46342
942-2243
www.lcplin.org/branches/ho.htm

Australian Rose Gardens
Tuesday, Feb. 2 2 p.m.
Tour Australia's most renowned rose gardens in this travel film. *Registration not required.*

Teen Book Club
Wednesday, Feb. 3 6 p.m.
Teens (grades 9 to 12) are invited to discuss Issac Marion's *Warm Bodies*, a combination of horror and romance zoombiebook.

Getting Started with Pinterest
Monday, Feb. 8 2:30 p.m.
Adults will learn about Pinterest, a pinboard-style photo sharing website. Please bring your mobile device.

Book to Movie Matinee
Tuesday, Feb. 9 2 p.m.
This feature film is based on Stephen Chbosky's book *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*. Rated PG-13; run time 127 minutes.

Adult Coloring Circle
Tuesday, Feb. 9 2:30 p.m.
Adults are invited to drop in for the tranquility and stress relief of coloring intricate designs. *Registration not required.*

Teen Movie
Saturday, Feb. 13 2 p.m.
This feature film is based on Issac Marion's *Warm Bodies*. Rated PG-13; 98 minutes run time.

Healthy Habits for Healthier You
Monday, Feb. 15 1:30 p.m.
Learn about research on diet, nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity, and social engagement to incorporate a plan for healthy aging. *Registration not required.*

Contemporary Book Club
Tuesday, Feb. 16 10:30 a.m.
Read to discuss the classic murder mystery: *Then There Were None* by Agatha Christie.

Cutting the Cable Cord
Tuesday, Feb. 16 or
Saturday, Feb. 20 2 p.m.
This presentation will explain streaming services on the internet and compare all major services and devices.

Computer Class: iPad Tablet Help
Monday, Feb. 22 6 p.m.
Bring your iPad or Tablet for assistance on how to use it effectively.

Computer Class: Android Device Help
Tuesday, Feb. 23 2:30 p.m.
Bring your android device for assistance on how to use it effectively.

Teen Gaming
Wednesday, Feb. 24 6 p.m.
Teens (grade 6 and up) can play electronic games on *Wii* & *PlayStation*, as well as board games.

Lake Station-New Chicago

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962-2409
www.lcplin.org/branches/lsnc.htm

English as a Second Language
Mon. & Wed., Feb. 1 to 29 5-8 p.m.
Neighbors' Educational Opportunities (NEO) offers English language classes free of charge. To register call 219-850-4448 or visit www.neoadulted.org.

Groundhog Day
Tuesday, Feb. 2 6 p.m.
Bill Murray stars as a weatherman living the same day over and over again in this classic film. Rated PG; 101 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Book Chat
Thursday, Feb. 4 10 a.m.
Check out *All Fall Down* by Jennifer Weiner – read it – have opinion – eat snacks.

Love Letter Party
Saturday, Feb. 6 3 p.m.
Based on an idea from Hannah Brencher's book, *The World Needs More Love Letters*, write uplifting letters and leave in books throughout the library. Stationary provided.

Teen Council
Tuesday, Feb. 9 5 p.m.
Teens are invited to help plan programs for teens. *Registration not required.*

Coffee, Donuts & a Movie
Wednesday, Feb. 10 10:30 a.m.
James Dean (born in Marion, IN) stars as a young man with a troubled past in *Rebel Without a Cause*. Rated PG-13; 113 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Movie Wednesday
Wednesday, Feb. 10 2 p.m.
Johnny Depp is featured in *Chocolat*, a romantic comedy rated PG-13; 121 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Teen Gaming
Saturday, Feb. 20 1:30-3 p.m.
Teens play video games on *Wii* and *PlayStation*, as well as board games. Snacks provided. *Registration not required.*

Merrillville Branch

1919 W. 81st Ave., Merrillville, IN 46410
769-3541
www.lcplin.org/branches/cnl.htm

English as a Second Language
Mon. & Wed., Feb. 1 to 29 6:30-8 p.m.
Classes (free of charge) include speaking, reading, and writing English at different levels of instruction. Contact Literacy Coordinator at Ext. 336 for more details.

Ask Me: Employment Resources
Thursday, Feb. 4 10 a.m.
Librarians are prepared to help research jobs, organize resumes, introduce online job searching, set up free email accounts and answer your specific job questions at this one-on-one walk-in session.

Color Outside the Lines
Tuesday, Feb. 9 6:30 p.m.
Adults are invited to relax while coloring specially designed, intricate images. All materials provided. *Registration not required.*

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Branch Library Happenings

Circle of Readers Book Discussion
Thursday, Feb. 11 6:15 p.m.
Readers will discuss *River of Doubt* by Candice Millard, an incredible adventure narrative. *Registration not required.*

Create an Artful Life
Monday, Feb. 15 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.
With the assistance of a professional instructor, adults will work with acrylics and canvas on an easel. There is a $20 cash fee due at the time of class.

eBook Monday
Monday, Feb. 15 2-4 p.m.
Learn how to download and read eBooks and digital magazines on your iPad or tablet. Bring your personal device. *Registration not required.*

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, Feb. 16 6-8 p.m.
Teens (13 to 18) will watch the first three episodes of *Digimon Adventures*. Snacks provided. *Registration not required.*

Celebrate Indiana with a Movie
Saturday, Feb. 20 1 p.m.
Elvis Presley's *Clambake* includes the acting talent of Arlene Charles (Gorek) born in Crown Point and resident of Merrillville. Not rated; 100 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

I Work Here! Ask Me About Genealogy
Thursday, Feb. 25 2-4 p.m.
This month's topic is Naturalization Records: Library staff in the Genealogy Room help with your family history questions and research.

Introduction to Alzheimer's Disease
Friday, Feb. 26 10 a.m.
Join this free informational and interactive session that focuses on understanding the process of progressive dementia. A light lunch provided at 11:30am, followed by advanced issues and strategies. *Register at 1-888-303-0180.*

Movie Time
Saturday, Feb. 27 1 p.m.
Popcorn and beverages served to viewers of *The Walk* starring Benedict Samuel. Rated PG; 123 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Munster Branch

8701 Calumet Ave., Munster, IN 46321
836-8450
www.lcplin.org/branches/mu.htm

One-on-One Computer Assistance
Mon. to Sat., Feb. 1 to 22 All Day
Adults can make an appointment for a one hour session on how to use the internet, set-up free email accounts, or write a resume.

Learning Scratch for Teens
Tuesday, Feb. 2 3:30 p.m.
Teens (6th to 12th grade) will learn the basics of Scratch programming to make animated, interactive art.

The Vikings
Tuesday, Feb. 2 6:30 p.m.
The Nordikfolk Lodge #761 of the Vasa Order of America presents *St. Anskar & the First Christian Missions* and *Formation of the Kingdom of Denmark.*

Sit & Stitch
Mondays, Feb. 8 & 22 1-3 p.m.
Bring your own crochet, knitting or sewing project and gather with others who have a common thread.

Independent Film Series
Tuesday, Feb. 9 1:30 p.m.
Secrets of War takes place in a 1943 Nazi-occupied Dutch village. Adults only; not rated; Dutch with English subtitles; 95 minutes run time.

Teen Game Day
Wednesday, Feb. 10 3:30 p.m.
Teens (6th to 12th grade) can play games and win prizes.

Beyond Great Books Discussion
Wednesday, Feb. 10 6:30 p.m.
Join a discussion on selections from *Plato's Republic* by Socrates.

Home Sweet Home
Saturday, Feb. 13 10 a.m.
LPTV and LCPL are hosting a workshop on family structure targeted at parents and caregivers of children ages 2-8. Support is funded by The Legacy Foundation.

Everglades of the North
Monday, Feb. 15 1:30 p.m.
Master Gardener Patty Wisniewski tells the story of the Grand Kankakee Marsh in a program hosted by the Munster Garden Club.

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, Feb. 16 3:30 p.m.
Teens (6th to 12th grade) are invited to watch episodes of a popular new series. Snacks provided.

Travel Film Series
Thursday, Feb. 18 2 p.m.
Beneath London lies a secret hidden world in *Secrets of Underground London*.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting
Tuesday, Feb. 23 3:30 p.m.
Middle and high school students (6th to 12 grade) are invited to help plan teen programs.

Joy of Coloring
Wednesday, Feb. 24 1-3 p.m.
Adults are invited to be creative and shake off stress with colored pencils and intricate coloring sheets.

Thursday Afternoon Book Discussion
Thursday, Feb. 25 1:30 p.m.
Read to discuss *Mercy Snow* by Tiffany Baker.

Great Books Discussion
Thursday, Feb. 25 6:30 p.m.
Readers are invited to a discourse Sophocles: *Oedipus the King*, a selection from the fifth series of Great Books.

St. John Branch

9450 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN 46373
365-5379
www.lcplin.org/branches/sj.htm

Teen Anime Club
Monday, Feb. 1 **4 p.m.**
Teens (6th to 12 grade) will watch and discuss anime.

Stamp Camp
Monday, Feb. 1 **6:30 p.m.**
With professional assistance, design unique greeting cards with ink, stamps, and decorative paper. There is a $5 fee due at the time of class.

Travel Film Series
Tuesday, Feb. 2 **2 p.m.**
Journey to explore Iceland. Refreshments served.

Color Your Stress Away
Wednesday, Feb. 3 **2-4 p.m.**
Adults can relax and relieve stress by coloring intricate designs with colored pencils. All materials provided.

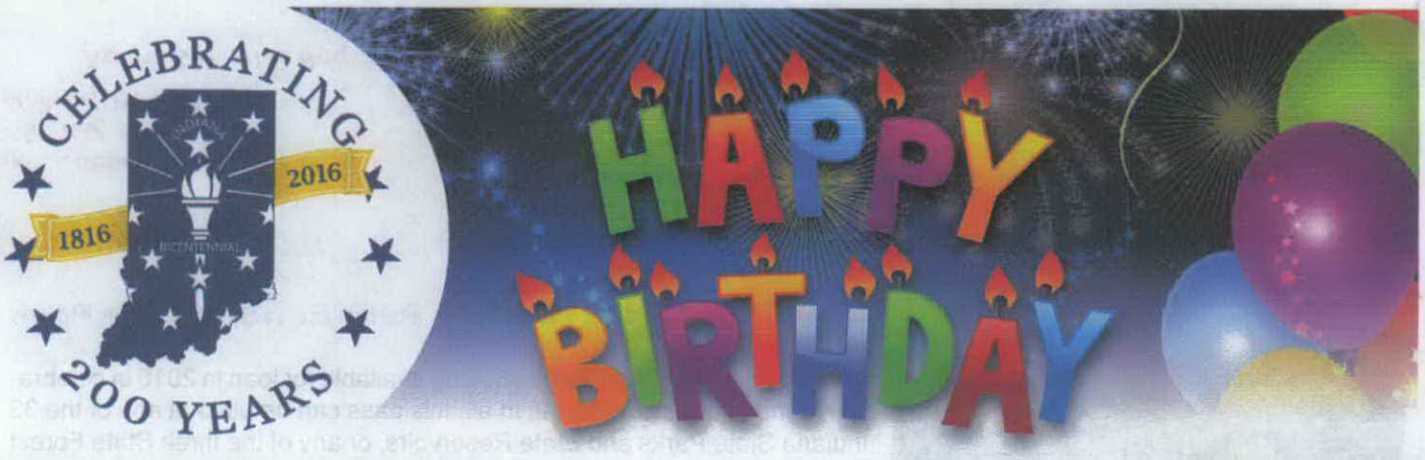
Sit & Stitch
Wed., Feb. 3 & 17 **6:30 p.m.**
Bring your crochet, knitting, or sewing project and gather with others who have a common thread.

Page Turners Book Club
Wednesday, Feb. 10 **6:30 p.m.**
Discussion of *Gemini* by Carol Casella.

Hoosier Film Series
Tuesday, Feb. 16 **2 p.m.**
Celebrate the Indiana Bicentennial viewing the film *Sabrina* featuring Hoosier Greg Kinnear. Rated PG; run time 127 minutes.

Make & Take Crafts for Teens
Thursday, Feb. 18 **6 p.m.**
Teens (6th - 12th grade) will create a special craft in an evening filled with food and fun.

Happy Valentines Day!



Lake County Public Library is participating in Indiana's Bicentennial Celebration.

Join us for the birthday fun!

2016 marks Indiana's 200th year as a state! The Lake County Public Library is excited to help all Hoosiers celebrate as an Official Endorsed Legacy Project.

We'll be celebrating all year long at all nine locations with classes, events, and special displays. We'll even be working with local historical societies to bring the history of your community into the spotlight, both in the library and online. We hope you'll have a great time helping us celebrate this year!

- Presentations on historical topics
- Entertainment and musical guests
- Geocaching historical sites
- Social media: trivia and photos
- Displays by local historical societies
- Summer reading fun!
- Social media: Tell us your personal memories of history around the region

And much more!

Visit our website at: http://lcplin.org/bicentennial.html

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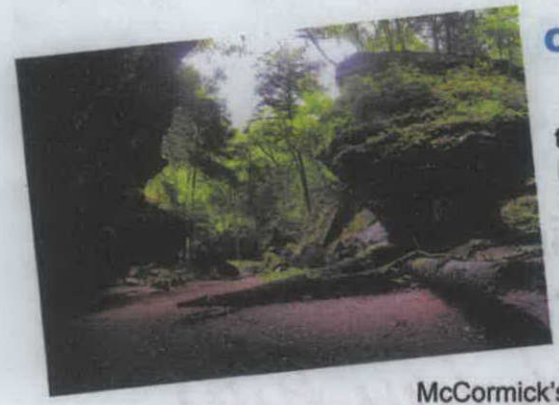

Check Out A Free IN State Park Entrance Fee Pass

Indiana State Park Passes will be available for loan in 2016 in celebration of Indiana's Bicentennial! In all, this pass can be used at any of the 32 Indiana State Parks and State Reservoirs, or any of the three State Forest Recreation areas that charge entrance fees:

Brookville Lake, Brown County State Park, Chain O'Lakes State Park, Charlestown State Park Clifty Falls State Park, Falls of the Ohio State Park(does not cover admission to the interpretive center), Fort Harrison State Park, Hardy Lake, Harmonie State Park, Indiana Dunes State Park, Cagles Mill Lake (Lieber and Cataract Falls SRAs), Lincoln State Park, McCormick's Creek State Park, Mississinewa Lake, Monroe Lake, Mounds State Park, O'Bannon Woods State Park, Ouabache State Park, Patoka Lake, Pokagon State Park and Trine SRA, Potato Creek State Park, Prophetstown State Park, Cecil M. Harden Lake (Raccoon SRA), Salamonie Lake, Shakamak State Park, Spring Mill State Park, Summit Lake State Park, Tippecanoe River State Park, Turkey Run State Park, Shades State Park, Versailles State Park, Whitewater Memorial State Park, Dean Lake SRA, Ferdinand State Forest, and Starve Hollow SRA.

The park pass may be checked out by a Full Access Adult library card holder in good standing (no overdue materials or fines on card) only, for a period of seven (7) days at any of Lake County Public Library's 9 branches.

Holds may not be placed on this pass and it is not renewable.
Overdue fines are $1 per day, maximum of $50.
Lost/replacement fee is $50 plus processing fee.

LAKE COUNTY LCPL PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Library's Mission: The purpose of the Lake County Public Library is to provide the highest quality informational, educational, cultural, and recreational resources and services to residents of all ages in the Lake County Public Library district.

February Children's Classes

Mother Goose on the Loose!

Storytimes

Birth-23 mo. and a caregiver

This 30 minute lapsit program uses songs, rhymes, and finger plays to encourage interaction and foster language development and motor skills.

Cedar Lake Branch:
1st & 3rd Fri. 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Monday 10:30 a.m.
or 2nd & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Highland Branch:
1st & 3rd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Lake Station-New Chicago
5th Monday 10:30 a.m.

Merrillville Branch
1st, 3rd & 5th Monday 10 a.m.

Munster Branch
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

2-3 Year Olds

This 45 minute program is filled with stories, songs, and finger plays, and a craft.
(Caregivers must be present during program.)

Cedar Lake Branch:
2nd & 4th Thursday 10:30 a.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Wed. 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Highland Branch:
2nd & 4th Monday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
2nd & 4th Monday 10:30 a.m.
2nd Friday 10:30 a.m.

Lake Station-New Chicago
3rd Monday 10:30 a.m.

Merrillville Branch
Every Tuesday 10 a.m.

Munster Branch
2nd & 4th Mon. 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
1st & 3rd Tues. 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

4-5 Year Olds

This hour program is filled with stories, songs, finger plays, and a craft.

Cedar Lake Branch:
1st & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m., 1 p.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Monday 1:30 p.m.
or 2nd & 3rd Tuesday 1:30 p.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp Branch
1st & 3rd Tuesday 1:00 p.m.

Highland Branch:
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
1st & 3rd Monday 1:30 p.m.

Merrillville Branch
Every Tuesday 11 a.m.

Munster Branch
1st & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
2nd & 4th Monday 1 p.m.
2nd, & 4th Tuesday 10:30 a.m.

Cedar Lake Branch

10010 W. 133rd Avenue
Cedar Lake, IN 46303
374-7121
www.lcplin.org/branches/cl.htm

Learning & More @ the Library
Mon. to Sat., Feb. 1 to 29 — All Day
Enjoy early literacy activities, along with crafts and more for all ages available during library open hours.

'Paws' for Reading & Fun
Wednesday, Feb. 3 — 5 p.m.
Children of all ages and reading levels are invited to read to licensed therapy dogs and participate crafts and other activities. Preschoolers must be accompanied by an adult.

LEGO Mania

Thursday, Feb. 4 — 4 p.m.
Children through grade 6 will make and display their own LEGO structures made with library LEGO bricks. Preschool children must be accompanied by an adult.

ST E A M Fridays
Fridays, Feb. 5 to 26 — All Day
Using Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math, children will experiment, design, build, compute, and craft conducting activities and experiments each Friday during library open hours.

Love Stinks
Tues. & Wed., Feb. 9 & 10 — 4 p.m.
Teens (11 & older) will un-celebrate Valentine's Day with cranky crafts, spiteful snacks, games, and more.

Fizz! Boom! Yum! Candy Science!
Monday, Feb. 15 — 1 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will experiment with candy – change it, float it, fizz it, make it, eat it!

Dyer-Schererville Branch

1001 W. Lincoln Highway
Schererville, IN 46375
322-4731
www.lcplin.org/branches/ds.htm

Craft Table
Mon. - Sat., Feb. 1 – 29 — All Day
Children of all ages are welcome to make a craft during library open hours.

Kids Art Club
Tuesday, Feb. 2 — 4:30 p.m.
Children ages 7 to 12 will learn how to draw and paint in this one hour, monthly class.

Dynamite DUPLOs
Wednesday, Feb. 3 — 10:30 a.m.
This is a 30 minute class for 2-5 year old children that includes simple patterning and building activities with DUPLO blocks.

LEGO Club
Thursday, Feb. 4 — 6:30 p.m.
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will use their creativity to build unique projects with library LEGO bricks.

Valentine Party
Thursday, Feb. 11 — 6:30 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 6 will hear Valentine stories, play games, and make a Valentine craft.

Chinese New Year Celebration
Saturday, Feb. 13 — 2 p.m.
Children of all ages will celebrate the *Year of the Monkey* with stories, music, and the chance to do a dragon dance.

Power Paws for Kids
Saturday, Feb. 20 — 11 a.m.
Children of all ages and reading levels are invited to read a library book to one of the Delta Society pet Partner dogs provided through Power Paws for Kids, a non-profit organization. *Registration not required.*

Home School Art Club
Wednesday, Feb. 24 — 10:30 a.m.
Children ages 7 to 12 will learn how to draw and paint in this one hour, monthly class.

Griffith-Calumet Branch

1215 E. 45th Avenue
Griffith, IN 46319
838-2825
www.lcplin.org/branches/gr.htmm

Art Club

Monday, Feb. 1 — 6 p.m.
Kids from kindergarten to grade 5 will create a fun project and learn something new about art.

Words with Wings
Thursday, Feb. 4 — 6 p.m.
Kids that are in 2nd to 6th grade will hear stories and poetry by African-American authors, play a game, and make a craft. Bring your own poetry for an open mic session.

'Tween Chinese New Year Crafting
Monday, Feb. 8 — 3:45 p.m.
'Tweens in grades 5 to 8 are invited to celebrate the Chinese New Year by making their own Chinese lanterns.

ST E A M Team – Dead Presidents
Thursday, Feb. 11 — 6 p.m.
Kids from 1st to 5th grade will explore the science of money through games, experiments and crafts.

LEGO Mania
Monday, Feb. 15 — 4 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through 5th grade will build with the library's LEGO blocks.

Meet Your Local Hockey Heroes
Tuesday, Feb. 16 — 4:30 p.m.
Kickoff *Hockey Weekend Across America* by hearing from some of the Munster Hockey Team players – how they got started, why they keep playing, favorite players, and future goals. Complete your Read-to-Succeed sheets for a chance to win prizes from the Chicago Wolves. *Registration not required.*

Registration required for all programs by phone or online except where noted.

Highland Branch

2841 Jewett Street
Highland, IN 46322
838-2394
www.lcplin.org/branches/hi.htm

Take Your Child to the Library - Family LEGO
Saturday, Feb. 6 **2 p.m.**
For 'Take Your Child to the Library Day,' bring your children in and help them build fabulous LEGO structures. MEGA BLOKS available for the preschoolers.

Power Paws for Kids
Saturday, Feb. 6 **11 a.m.**
Children of all ages and reading levels can read aloud to a Power Paws dog in a safe environment to practice their reading skills. *Registration is not required.*

Family Story Hour
Tuesdays, Feb. 9 & 23 **6:30 p.m.**
Families with children 3 to 6 years of age will enjoy stories, fingerplays, music, and a craft.

LEGO Club
Wednesday, Feb. 10 **3:30 p.m.**
Children who have completed kindergarten to grade 6 are invited to free build with the library's LEGO blocks or build the 'challenge' project.

Wish Upon a Snowflake
Thursday, Feb. 18 **3:30 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will learn about the man who discovered that no two snowflakes are alike, then make a beautiful snowflake craft.

Hobart Branch

100 Main Street
Hobart, IN 46342
942-2243
www.lcplin.org/branches/ho.htm

LEGO Night
Tuesday, Feb. 2 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will use their imaginatin to create structures using LEGO bricks.

'Tweens Craft
Tuesday, Feb. 9 **6 p.m.**
'Tweens, ages 9 to 13, will create a winter craft and discuss ideas for future programs.

Snowflakes!
Tuesday, Feb. 16 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will make a snowy craft and hear a snow-themed story.

Lake Station-New Chicago Branch

2007 Central Avenue
Lake Station, IN 46405
962-2409
www.lcplin.org/branches/lsnc.htm

Chinese New Year Celebration
Wednesday, Feb. 3 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 5 will hear a Chinese New Year's story and make Chinese dragons.

Super 'Tweens Craft
Wednesday, Feb. 10 **6 p.m.**
'Tweens (9 to 13 years of age) will make bracelets.

Valentine Family Story Time
Friday, Feb. 12 **10:30 a.m.**
Families with children ages 5 and under will hear Valentine stories, sing songs, have finger plays, and make a Valentine's Craft.

Hotel Transylvania 2
Thursday, Feb. 18 **6 p.m.**
Children of all ages and their families are invited to see *Hotel Transylvania 2* on the library's cinematic screen. Rated PG, 89 minutes run time.

LEGO Night
Thursday, Feb. 25 **6 p.m.**
Children of all ages are invited to create their own unique LEGO designs. Refreshments served.

Merrillville Branch

1919 W. 81st Avenue
Merrillville, IN 46410
769-3541, Ext. 360
www.lcplin.org/branches/cnl.htm

Craft Table for Children
February 1 to 29 **All Day**
Children of all ages are welcome to make a craft in the Youth Education Services Department during library open hours.

Book Buddies
Tuesday, Feb. 2 & 16 **11 a.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 4 are invited to read a book with or be read to by a member of Andrean H.S. National Honor Society.

Board Game Fun
Wednesday, Feb. 3 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will meet to play fun board games. Family members are welcome to join in.

Homeschool Hangout: Game On!
Thursday, Feb. 4 **10:30 a.m.**
Homeschool families can meet to play the library's fun board games or bring your own.

Baby & Me Time
Saturday, Feb. 13 & 27 **10:15 a.m.**
This half hour class for infants (birth to 23 months of age) with their caregiver includes songs, stories, and sensory play.

Saturday Stories: Valentine's Day
Saturday, Feb. 13 **11:15 a.m.**
All members of the family are invited to a 30 minute session of stories, songs, and finger plays to celebrate Valentine's Day. *Registration not required.*

LEGO Club
Tuesday, Feb. 9 **4 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will have fun making their own unique LEGO structures.

'Tweens Blind Date with a Book
Thursday, Feb. 11 **4 p.m.**
Kids in grades 5 & 6 are invited to bring in their favorite book to share and discuss with others.

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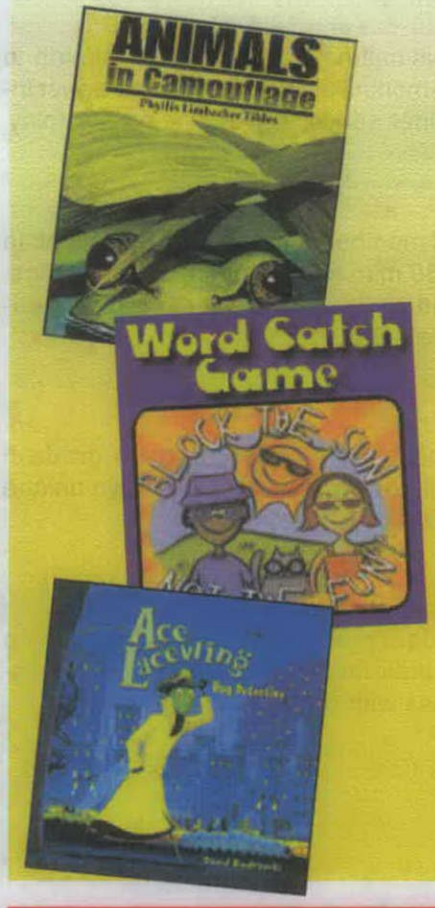

Gaming Night
Wednesday, Feb. 17 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten through grade 6 are invited to play electronic games on *Wii & PlayStation 2*, as well as board games. Snacks provided.

Homeschool Hangout
Thursday, Feb. 18 **10:30 a.m.**
Homeschooled children & teens can bring a special project or item to share with the group.

Saturday Stories: *Curious George*
Saturday, Feb. 27 **11:15 a.m.**
All members of the family are invited to a 30 minute session of stories, songs, and finger plays all about *Curious George*. *Registration not required.*

The Impossible Day Leap Year Party
Thursday, Feb. 25 **4 p.m.**
Kids in kindergarten through grade 4 are invited to help us celebrate February 29th – the day that comes only once every four years, with magic tricks, science experiments, and much more.

Munster Branch

8701 Calumet Avenue
Munster, IN 46321
836-8450
www.lcplin.org/branches/mu.htm

Power Paws for Kids
Thursday, Feb. 4 **6 p.m.**
Children of all ages and reading levels will enjoy reading to Power Paws service dogs.

LEGO Building
Thursday, Feb. 11 **6-7 p.m.**
Young LEGO enthusiasts, kindergarten and up, are invited to stop by for some creative LEGO building time, then share their creations with the group.

Home Sweet Home
Saturday, Feb. 18 **10 a.m.**
LPTV and LCPL are hosting a workshop on family structure targeted at parents and caregivers of children ages 2-8. Support is funded by The Legacy Foundation.

Leapin Lizards – It's Leap Year!
Thursday, Feb. 25 **5:30 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten or older will learn about leap year, play hop scotch, decorate frog cupcakes, and make a lizard craft. Please be sure to register for this fun event.

St. John Branch

9450 Wicker Avenue (US 41)
St. John, IN 46373
365-5379
www.lcplin.org/branches/sj.htm

Board Game Fun
Monday, Feb. 1 **4:30 p.m.**
Children of all ages are invited to play board games. Preschool age children must be accompanied by an adult.

Chinese New Year Celebration
Thursday, Feb. 4 **4:30 p.m.**
School age children, kindergarten to grade 5, will celebrate the Chinese New Year with games, stories, and a festive craft.

Family Story Time
Monday, Feb. 15 **6:30 p.m.**
Children and their families will participate in stories, crafts, and other activities.

LEGO Freebuild
Saturday, Feb. 20 **11 a.m.**
Young LEGO enthusiasts are invited to use their imagination as they build with library LEGO blocks.

STEAM On!
Tuesday, Feb. 23 **4:30 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 5 will celebrate Thomas Edison's birthday with a variety of activities related to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math.

Power Paws for Kids
Saturday, Feb. 27 **11 a.m.**
Children of all ages and all reading levels will enjoy reading to Power Paws service dogs.

Registration required for all programs by phone or online except where noted.

LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

www.lcplin.org

Library Happenings

March 2016

Supporting Early Literacy @ Lake County Library

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, "Every year, more than 1 in 3 American children start kindergarten without the language skills they need to learn to read." We want to help change that. This is one reason why the Lake County Public Library System has long been committed to promoting the **Every Child Ready to Read** initiative, and why we are launching the LCPL 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge at our Little Ones Library Safari on March 12th.

Early Literacy is about helping young children develop the knowledge and skills they need so that they'll be ready to learn to read and write, and it begins with YOU, the adults in a child's life – research shows that you are your child's most effective teacher! **Talking, Singing, Reading, Writing**, and **Playing** – each activity will add to the skill set your child needs in order to be ready to read for themselves.

The Lake County librarians want to help parents and caregivers learn how best to incorporate these practices at home. You can learn more on our website, at the Pre-Reading Skills page under the Kids tab. Additionally, each branch offers story times for caregivers with their babies, 2-3 year-olds, and 4-5 year-olds. Library staff are also eager to answer any questions you have and make book or activity recommendations!

LCPL invites families to join our **1000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge**. This is a nation-wide challenge that encourages parents and caregivers to regularly read aloud to their children. Families can reach the goal in just three years by reading only one book a day – read more than one a day and you'll finish even faster! The library will be offering various incentives to families who do the challenge, but the real reward will be your child's growing love of books and reading.

Families can sign up for the challenge starting March 12th, at the **Little Ones Library Safari**, hosted at the Merrillville Branch from 10am-3pm. The Library Safari will be loads of fun for families with babies, toddlers, and preschoolers. There will be baby and family story times as well as activities relating to **Talking, Singing, Reading, Writing, Playing, Science**, and **Math**. There will also be educational panels for caregivers and representatives on hand from the library and local school and community organizations, who can answer questions about preparing your child for kindergarten. At 2 p.m. that day, Lakeshore Public Television and LCPL are happy to bring you a free family concert featuring **Miss Lori** from Miss Lori's ***CAMPUS***. Children ages 2-8 will be especially inspired, but your entire family is sure to erupt in smiles singing and dancing with Miss Lori!

So be sure to check out our story times and website's *Every Child Ready to Read* resource page, come to the Little Ones Library Safari on March 12th from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., and sign up for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge that day!

SarahEllen Hickle
Youth Education Services Librarian
Merrillville Branch

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Branch Library Happenings

Cedar Lake Branch

10010 E. 133rd Ave., Cedar Lake, IN 46303
374-7121
www.lcplin.org/branches/cl.htm

Ask Me! Employment Resources
Monday, March 7 — 1 p.m.
Librarians are prepared to help one-on-one with online job research; resumes, setting up free email accounts; and answering your specific job questions. *Registration not required.*

Snack & Plan
Monday, March 7 — 4 p.m.
Members of TAB (Teen Advisory Board) and those wishing to join, will have fun while earning volunteer hours.

Crochet Class & Knitting Class
Mondays, March 7 & 21 — 7 p.m.
Those wishing to learn to crochet (bring size H crochet hook) and both beginning or experienced knitters will receive instruction (bring size 7 needles).

History on the Big Screen
Tuesday, March 8 — 2 p.m.
Learn the story of Hoosier born brothers Wilbur & Orville Wright - their lives, inventions, and accomplishments.

Subway Word Art & Subs!
Tues. & Wed., March 8 & 9 — 4 p.m.
Teens (11 & older) are invited to create word art on canvas or foam board, as well as a sub for snacking. All supplies provided.

Scrabble
Mondays, March 14 & 28 — 2-3:30 p.m.
Adults are invited to play Scrabble: games and snacks provided.

Great Decisions Discussion Group
Mondays, March 14 & 28 — 6:30-8 p.m.
The national foreign policy discussion program this month centers on The Rise of ISIS (Islamic State In Iraq & Syria).

Books & Chat
Wednesday, March 16 — 6:30 p.m.
Readers will discuss Nicole Krauss's *The History of Love*, a novel that spans over the time of Nazi-occupied Eastern Europe to present day Brighton Beach.

Sensational Science
Thursday, March 17 — 4 p.m.
Teens will experiment, plan, build, and compute with the science of Minute-to-Win-It games.

Travel the World Without Leaving Home
Tuesday, March 22 — 2 p.m.
Take a fresh look at the state of Indiana: the north's industrial center, Shipshe-

Ask a Librarian

Q: The State Park System announced that for their 100 year anniversary they were placing Park Passes in Indiana Libraries for people to check out. Did Lake County Library receive one of those passes for 2016? If so, what will be the procedure for check out? - which library, how long, etc.

A: Yes! The Lake County Public Library has one pass per each of our 9 locations available for checkout.

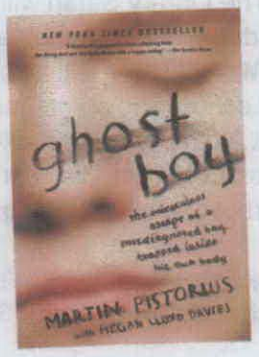
Each checkout is for a period of 7 days and is good for free admission at any of the 32 Indiana State Parks and State Reservoirs, or at any of the 3 State Forest Recreation Areas that charge entrance fees.

You must have a Full Access Adult library card in good standing (no fines/fees or overdue items) in order to check out a pass. Holds may not be placed, nor can the pass be renewed. The passes must be returned to the branch where they were checked out.

Online!

BOOKreMARKS

March 1 to 31



This is a month-long, online book discussion available to anyone, anywhere, at any time of day through email of: *Ghost Boy: The Miraculous Escape of a Misdiagnosed Boy Trapped Inside His Own Body* by Martin Pistorius.

In January 1988 doctors were mystified by Martin Pistorius, who, at the age of 12, lost his voice, stopped eating, slept constantly, and shunned human contact. They told his parents it had to be an unknown degenerative disease and didn't expect him to live more than two years. This is the heart-wrenching story of one boy's return to life through the power of love and faith.

To join the discussion send an email to remarks@lcplin.org

wana; Elkhart's RV/MH Museum; the archaeological excavations; the National Model Aviation Museum; and the Tri-State Memorial Bluegrass Festival.

Teen GameFest
Wednesday, March 23 3-5 p.m.
Teens will play *Wii, PlayStation,* and board games. Snacks and pop provided.

Hoosier Movie Time Feature
Thursday, March 24 1 p.m.
Fast cars, a hot romance, and a behind-the-scenes look at the world famous Indy 500 – *Winning* has it all! Rated PG; 123 minutes run time.

Create an Artful Life
Saturday, March 26 10 a.m. Or 1 p.m.
Adults will paint using acrylics with the assistance of a professional instructor. A $20 cash fee is due at the time of class.

Dyer-Schererville Branch

1001 W. Lincoln Hwy., Schererville, IN 46375
322-4731
www.lcplin.org/branches/ds.htm

Battle of the Books 2016
March 1 to 31 All day
Teens (11 to 18) vote each week for favorites in the battle of the books! Winners will be chosen for prizes each week.

Create an Artful Life
Saturday, March 5 10 a.m. & 1 p.m.
Adults will paint using acrylics with the assistance of a professional instructor. A $20 cash fee is due at the time of class. Registration required no later than March 2.

Independent Film
Monday, March 7 1 p.m.
3 Hearts is a touching and tense drama about destiny, connections, and passion. French with English subtitles; not rated, adults only, 108 minutes run time.

Free Blood Pressure Screening
Monday, March 7 Noon – 3 p.m.
Registration not required.

Stamp Class
Tuesday, March 8 6:30 p.m.
Participants will work on projects created with decorative paper, ink, and rubber stamps. A $5 fee to cover the cost of materials is due at the time of class. Bring a glue stick.

***Wii* Sports for Seniors**
Wednesdays, March 9 & 23 2 p.m.
Wii Sports doesn't require much in the way of flexibility or speed – if you can move your arm around, you're set.
Registration not required.

Teen Advisory Board
Wednesday, March 9 6:30 p.m.
Teens, 11 to 18 years of age, are invited to learn how to green screen a movie.
Registration not required.

Hoosier Film Series
Monday, March 14 6 p.m.
In the film *Hoosiers* a high school coach leads a group of underdogs to the Indiana Basketball Championship. Rated PG; 114 minutes run time.

Divergent Party – Choose Your Faction
Tuesday, March 15 6:30 p.m.
To celebrate the release of the latest *Insurgent* movie, teens (11 to 18) will test their aptitude for Amity, Dauntless, Abnegation, Candor, and Erudite.

Virtual Tourist
Wednesday, March 16 7 p.m.
Take a virtual tour of the balmy beaches and clear waters of Tahiti. A local snack will be provided.
Registration not required.

D-I-Y Spa Day
Tuesday, March 22 2 p.m.
Adults and teens are invited to create sugar scrubs and other items for real relaxation.

Protect Your Peeps
Tuesday, March 22 6-8 p.m.
Teens (11 to 18) will pick a side, build a fort, go to war - but must protect their Peeps.

Between the Lines
Wednesday, March 23 7 p.m.
or Thursday, March 24 10:15 a.m.
Stacey Schiff brings to life the most intriguing woman in the history of the world. *Cleopatra, A Life* is a deeply original construction of this dazzling Egyptian queen's existence.
Registration not required.

Keep Calm & Color On
Mon., Mar. 28 12:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Adults are invited to de-stress and relax with colorful pencils and intricate coloring sheets.

Book Dragons Teen Book Club
Tuesday, March 29 6:30 p.m.
Teens (11 to 18) can share favorite and/or most hated books, while helping us make movie trailers for books.
Registration not required.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch

1215 E. 45th Ave., Griffith, IN 46319
838-2825
www.lcplin.org/branches/gr.htm

Paper Creations
Tuesday, March 1 1 p.m.
Design personalized cards and more with designer paper, ink, and rubber stamps. A $5 fee to cover the cost of materials is due at the time of class. Bring adhesive and scissors.

StoryLovers Book Group
Tuesday, March 1 5:30 p.m.
or Wednesday, March 2 10:30 a.m.
Read and discuss *The Husband's Secret* by Liane Moriarty, a novel that asks the question – Can good people do very, very bad things?
Registration not required.

Thursday Threaders
Every Thursday 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Every or any Thursday bring and work on your own project while enjoying the company of others.
Registration not required.

An Afternoon of Scrabble
Thursday, March 3 2-4 p.m.
Folks of all ages are invited to a fun afternoon of Scrabble – increase your vocabulary while having a great time!
Registration not required.

Computer Class: Meet the Mouse
Friday, March 4 10:30 a.m.
Adults will learn how to hold the mouse, click, and scroll with better precision.

Computer Class: The Basics
Friday, March 4 11:45 a.m.
Adults learn basic information about the parts of the computer, keyboard, terminology, Windows features, and basic word processing.

Saturday Scrappers
Saturday, March 5 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Join this scrap book gathering to chat with others of like mind while working on your own project.
Registration not required.

Branch Library Happenings

Create an Artful Life
Monday, March 7 — 3 p.m. or 6 p.m.
Adults will paint using acrylics with the assistance of a professional instructor. A $20 cash fee is due at the time of class to cover the cost of materials provided.

Great Decisions Discussion Group
Tuesdays, March 8 & 22 — 6:30 p.m.
Join us as we discuss ISIS (Islamic State In Iraq & Syria) and the danger it poses to the United States.

Teen Tech Week: iPad Fun!
Wednesday, March 9 — 6:30 p.m.
Teens and 'tweens are invited to create with Vine, Instagram, take selfies, and more. *Registration not required.*

Computer Class: Basics of Genealogy
Saturday, March 12 — 10 a.m.
Adults will learn some basics, tips, books, with individualized assistance, as well as a better understanding of Ancestry.com.

Teen Tech Week: Hour of Coding
Saturday, March 12 — 3 p.m.
Teens (grades 6-12) will learn the basics of coding and try out lessons provided by Hourofcode.org.

Mystery Loves Co. Discussion
Monday, March 14 — 1 p.m.
Read and discuss *The Good Girl* by Mary Kubival, a high intensity thriller of a kidnapping gone wrong.
Registration not required.

Zooinverse Lab
Monday, March 14 — 6-8 p.m.
All ages are invited to this class on how to become a citizen scientist. Select from weather on Mars research; Arctic weather information; Galaxy Zoo; Bat Detective; Penguin Watch; Whales and more.

Journey Through Western Ireland
Tuesday, March 15 — 2 p.m.
Journey through Western Ireland via tales of Irish history and photographs of landmarks. *Registration not required.*

Movie Wednesday
Wednesday, March 16 — 2 p.m.
Max is the story of a precision-trained military dog on the frontlines in Afghanistan whose Marine handler is mortally wounded. Rated PG; run time 111 minutes. *Registration not required.*

Gardening Class
Monday, March 21 — 7 p.m.
Master Gardener Dolly Foster holds a class on Butterfly Gardens and which plans attract these winged creatures.

Time to Travel
Wednesday, March 23 — 2 p.m.
Visit Japan where traditions and modern inventions live together.
Registration not required.

Graphic Novel Book Club
Thursday, March 24 — 5:30 p.m.
Teen fans of graphic novels are all welcome to this book discussion.

Teen Anime Club
Thursday, March 24 — 6:30 p.m.
Teen fans of Anime or Manga are invited to watch an episode of a popular new series. *Registration not required.*

Book Buddies
Monday, March 28 — 4 p.m.
Read and discuss *Big Little Lies* by Liane Moriarty. A murder...a tragic accident...or just parents behaving badly?
Registration not required.

Moon Called Book Discussion
Monday, March 28 — 6:30 p.m.
For readers who enjoy paranormal fiction, *The Hawley Book of the Dead* by Chrysler Szarlan is a haunting story of love, loss, family secrets, mystery and magic.

'Tween Spring Break: Game On!
Wednesday, March 30 — 2 p.m.
'Tweens in grades 5 to 8 can stop by anytime between 2 and 4 p.m. to play their choice of either *Wii* or board games.
Registration not required.

Book Bingo
Thursday, March 31 — 2 p.m.
Join us as we play everyone's favorite – Bingo. *Registration not required.*

Highland Branch
2841 Jewett St., Highland, IN 46322
838-2394
www.lcplin.org/branches/hi.htm

Teen Book Discussion
Wednesday, March 2 — 3:45 p.m.
Steelheart by Brandon Sanderson is a fun, fast paced, futuristic, science-fiction, superhero story that teens are sure to enjoy.

Teen Cosplay Contest
Saturday, March 5 — 2 p.m.
Teens (11 to 18) can dress in costume and compete for a chance to win free tickets to C2E2 in Chicago, and all ages are welcome to be audience members.
Registration not required.

History on Film
Monday, March 7 — 2 & 6:30 p.m.
The 500,000 sq. ft. facility equipped with the most modern equipment, is considered one of the finest forensic science crime labs in the world. See *FBI Crime Lab*. *Registration not required.*

Fiction Book Discussion
Tuesday, March 8 — 2 p.m.
Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng is the story of a mixed-race family living in 1970s Ohio and the tragedy that will either be their undoing or their salvation. *Registration not required.*

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, March 8 — 6 p.m.
Teen fans of Anime or Manga will watch the film *Wolf Children* and enjoy snacks. Rated PG; 117 minutes run time.
Registration not required.

Highland Crime Watch Meeting
Wednesday, March 9 — 6:30 p.m.
Corporal Shawn Anderson (sanderson@highland.in.gov) and Officer Brandon Norris (bnorris@highland.in.gov) preside over this Crime Watch meeting.
Registration not required.

The Basics of Alzheimer's Disease
Thursday, March 10 — 1:30 p.m.
Provided is information on detection, causes, risk factors, stages of the disease, treatment, and more by a care consultant from the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Indiana Chapter.

Indiana Actors in Film
Monday, March 14 **2 or 6 p.m.**
The radiant Carole Lombard (of Ft. Wayne) stars with William Powell in *My Man Godfrey*. Not rated; circa 1936; 93 minutes run time.
Registration not required.

Teen Advisory Board
Wednesday, March 16 **3:45 p.m.**
Snacks will be served and plans will be made for upcoming projects by and for teens. *Registration not required.*

Stamp Camp
Wednesday, March 16 **6:30 p.m.**
With professional assistance, participants will design and complete customized greeting cards and more. A $5 fee covering the cost of materials provided is due at the time of class.

Inspirational Book Discussion
Thursday, March 17 **2 p.m.**
In *Someday Home* by Lauraine Snelling three women seek a place to grieve, laugh, and be renewed, but are they seeking help in the wrong places?
Registration not required.

Travel Film
Monday, March 21 **2 or 6:30 p.m.**
Visit Ireland, a wild green island set in the Atlantic Ocean.
Registration not required.

Teens – Game On!
Wednesday, March 23 **4 p.m.**
Teens (11 to 18) can play on the *PS2* and *Wii*, bring *Magic* and *Pokemon decks*; participate in *Munchkin*, *Superhero Throwdown*, and *Superfight*.
Registration not required.

Once Upon a Crime
Thursday, March 24 **7 p.m.**
When a 30 year old murder case is reopened, a detective, must determine who are the saints and who are the sinners in *Saints of the Shadow Bible* by Ian Rankin. *Registration not required.*

Classic Feature Film
Monday, March 28 **2 or 6 p.m.**
Four sons (John Wayne, Dean Martin, Earl Holliman, Michael Anderson Jr.) reunite in their Texas hometown to attend their mother's funeral in *The Sons of Katie Elder*. Not rated; circa 1965; 120 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Hobart Branch
100 N. Main St., Hobart, IN 46342
942-2243
www.lcplin.org/branches/ho.htm

Canada from Coast to Coast
Tuesday, March 1 **2 p.m.**
Take a trip by rail of the second largest country in the world: Canada.
Registration not required.

Computer Class: Pinterest
Monday, March 7 **6 p.m.**
Bring your laptop, tablet, or mobile device to learn how to utilize Pinterest, a pinboard-style, photo sharing website.

Hoosier Film Series
Tuesday, March 8 **2 p.m.**
The film *Rudy* was inspired by the true story of Daniel Reuttiger's dream of playing football for Notre Dame. Rated PG; 116 minutes run time.
Registration not required.

Android Device Help
Wednesday, March 9 **3 p.m.**
Bring your android device and we can assist you with how to use it efficiently.

Adult Coloring Circle
Wednesday, March 9 & 23 **6 p.m.**
Drop in for the tranquility and stress-relief of coloring. A variety of intricate designs and color pencils provided.
Registration not required.

Computer Class: Meet the Mouse
Saturday, March 12 **3 p.m.**
Adults will learn the basics of using the computer with practice of using the mouse effectively.

Know the 10 Signs: Early Detection Matters
Monday, March 14 **1:30-4 p.m.**
Early detection of Alzheimer's disease provides the chance to begin drug therapy, enroll in clinical studies, and plan for the future. This interactive workshop is provided by the Alzheimer's Association.

Computer Class: Basic Windows
Monday, March 14 **6 p.m.**
Beginners will learn basic computer terminology and how to use Windows or OpenOffice.

Contemporary Book Club
Tuesday, March 15 **10:30 a.m.**
In *American Heiress* by Daisy Goodwin, a 20th century heiress marries the most eligible bachelor in England...but nothing is as it seems.

Apple Device Help
Tuesday, March 15 **3 p.m.**
Bring your iPad, iPad mini, or iPhone and we can assist you with how to use it efficiently.

Ask Me! Employment Resources
Tuesday, March 15 **3 p.m.**
Librarians are prepared to help in a one-on-one walk-in session with job research, resume organization, online job searching, and creating free email accounts.

Teen Gaming
Wednesday, March 16 **6 p.m.**
Teens (grade 6 and up) will play video games on the *Wii* and *PlayStation*, as well as board games.

Teen Book Club
Wednesday, March 30 **6 p.m.**
Teens (grades 6-12) are invited to discuss Marissa Meyer's *Cinder*, the story of a gifted cyborg mechanic who suddenly finds herself at the center of an intergalactic struggle.

Lake Station-New Chicago
2007 Central Avenue, Lake Station, IN 46405
962-2409
www.lcplin.org/branches/lsnc.htm

English As A Second Language
Mon. & Wed., March 2 to 30 **5-8 p.m.**
Neighbors' Educational Opportunities offers English language classes free of charge. Call 219-850-4448 or visit www.neoadulted.org to register.

Book Chat
Thursday, March 3 **10:30 a.m.**
Southern humor is mixed with fascinating detail about a group of women in the 1940s largely ignored by history in *The All Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion* by Fannie Flagg.

Teen Tech Week
Tuesday, March 8 **6 p.m.**
Teens will make a lighted book mark.

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Branch Library Happenings

Coffee, Donuts, and a Movie
Wednesday, March 9 10:30 a.m.
On the Waterfront is a classic story of Mob informers in and around the docks of New York and New Jersey, featuring Gary native Karl Malden. Not rated; 107 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Movie Wednesday
Wednesday, March 9 2 p.m.
Robert DeNiro and Anne Hathaway star in *The Intern*, the story of a widower who lands an internship at a fashion website. Rated PG-13; circa 2015; 121 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Merrillville Branch

1919 W. 81st Ave., Merrillville, IN 46410
769-3541
www.lcplin.org/branches/cnl.htm

English as a Second Language
Mon. & Wed., March 2 to 14 6:30 p.m.
English classes that include speaking, reading, and writing the English language are provided a different levels of instruction and are free of charge. Contact the Literacy Coordinator at ext. 336 for more details.

Ask Me! Employment Resources
Thursday, March 3 10 a.m.
Assistance provided to search jobs, organize a resume, acquire a free email account, complete applications online, and more. *Registration not required.*

Five Senses Workshop for Caregivers
Saturday, March 5 10 a.m.
Funded by the Legacy Foundation, and provided by Lakeshore Public Television, this workshop focuses on the five senses and targets parents and caregivers of children 2 to 8 years of age.

Circle of Readers Book Discussion
Thursday, March 10 6:15 p.m.
Readers will discuss *The Martian* by Andy Weir, the story of an astronaut that became one of the first people to walk on Mars, and be the first person to die there...though he hasn't given up yet!

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, March 15 6 p.m.
In this anime movie night, teens 13 to 18 years of age will watch the first three episodes of *Space Dandy*.
Registration not required.

Teens Write the Library's Wikipedia Page
Thursday, March 17 6-8 p.m.
Teens are invited to participate in writing the Lake County Public Library's Wikipedia page.

Celebrate Indiana With a Movie
Saturday, March 19 1 p.m.
Celebrate Indiana's Bicentennial with the feature film Carmen: *A Hip Hopera* starring Fred Williamson from Gary, in a role adapted from the opera by Georges Bizet. Rated PG-13; 88 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Create an Artful Life
Monday, March 21 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.
With professional assistance, adults will paint with acrylics. A $20 cash fee is due at the time of class to cover the cost of materials.

eBook Mondays
Monday, March 21 2-4 p.m.
Learn how to download and read ebooks and digital magazines on your tablet or iPad. Bring your personal device.
Registration not required.

Genealogy Resources
Friday, March 25 1-3 p.m.
Find out what resources are available in the Genealogy and Indiana rooms -focusing on Lake and Porter Counties and NWI resources.

Movie Time
Saturday, March 26 1 p.m.
With popcorn and beverages provided, adults are invited to view *Miss You Already*, a comedy-drama chronicling the relationship of lifelong best friends. Rated PG-13; run time 112 minutes.
Registration not required.

Color Outside the Lines
Monday, March 28 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Adults are invited to relax while coloring beautiful images. All materials provided.
Registration not required.

Munster Branch

8701 Calumet Ave., Munster, IN 46321
836-8450
www.lcplin.org/branches/mu.htm

***The Vikings*: Great Courses Film Series**
Tuesday, March 1 6:30 p.m.
Co-hosted by the Nordikfolk Lodge #761 of the Vasa Order of America the featured lectures this month are *Cnut the Great* and *Collapse of Cnut's Empire*.

Independent Film Series
Tuesday, March 8 1:30 p.m.
Marie's Story tells of the life of a wild 14 year old girl, born deaf and blind, taken to the Larnay institute in France, to learn to communicate. In French with English Subtitles. Not rated; adults only; 94 minutes run time.

Teen Tech Day
Tuesday, March 8 3:30 p.m.
Teens (6th to 12 grades) will make a light-up book mark.

Downloading eBooks
Wednesday, March 9 6:30 p.m.
Please bring your own mobile device to learn how to download eBooks.

Sit & Stitch
Monday, March 14 1-3 p.m.
Bring your own crochet, knitting, or sewing project and gather with others who have a common thread.

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, March 15 3:30 p.m.
Teens (6th to 12th grades) will watch episodes of a popular new Anime series. Snacks provided.

Travel Film Series: Berlin
Thursday, March 17 2 p.m.
The re-united Berlin awaits visitors with old sights, as well as new.

Gardening: Planting Possibilities
Monday, March 21 1:30 p.m.
Gardening programs for adults with autism and other developmental disabilities are presented by the non-profit organization Planting Possibilities and co-hosted by the Munster Garden Club.

Joy of Coloring
Wednesday, March 23 1-3 p.m.
Adults are invited to socialize, be creative, and shake off stress as they color with pencils, markers, and intricate coloring sheets.

Thursday Afternoon Book Discussion
Thursday, March 24 1:30 p.m.
Middlesteins by Jami Attenberg is the story of siblings who attempt to take control of their mother's food obsession and massive weight gain to save her life.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 30 3:30 p.m.
Middle & high school students are invited to this organizational meeting to help plan teen programs.

Great Books Discussion
Thursday, March 31 6:30 p.m.
Readers are invited to a discourse of Aristotle's *On Tragedy*, a selection from the fifth series of Great Books.

St. John Branch
9450 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN 46373
365-5379
www.lcplin.org/branches/sj.htm

Travel Film Series
Tuesday, March 1 2 p.m.
Journey via the library's cinematic screen to explore Krakow, Poland.

Color Your Stress Away
Wednesday, March 2 2-4 p.m.
Adults are invited to spend time relaxing to relieve stress by coloring. Colored pencils and intricate designs provided.

Sit & Stitch
Wednesday, March 2 & 16 6:30-8 p.m.
Bring your crochet, knitting, or sewing project and gather with others who have a common thread.

Computer Class: Meet the Mouse
Saturday, March 5 10 a.m.
Wednesday, March 16 2 p.m.
Adults learn the basics of how to move and 'click' a computer mouse effectively.

Computer Class: Basic Windows
Saturday, March 5 11 a.m.
Wednesday, March 16 3 p.m.
Adults learn basic computer terminology, Windows, and basic usage of OpenOffice.

Teen Anime Club
Monday, March 7 4-5:30 p.m.
Teens (grades 6 to 12) are invited to watch the first three episodes of *Naruto*.

Stamp Camp
Monday, March 7 6:30 p.m.
With the assistance of a professional instructor, design and complete greeting cards and more with decorative paper, stamps and ink. A $5 fee to cover the cost of materials is due at the time of class.

Teen Tech Week: Code Your Own Game!
Tuesday, March 8 4 p.m.
Teens will learn basic coding skills and use them to design games.

Page Turners Book Club
Wednesday, March 9 6:30 p.m.
Join in this discussion of *The Weight of Blood* by Laura McHugh, a suspenseful novel with a 'barn burner' of a plot.

The Hunt
Thursday, March 10 7 p.m.
This workshop, presented by Lakeshore Public Television and funded by The legacy Foundation, focuses on new learning techniques and targets parents and caregivers of children 2 to 8 years of age. *Registration not required.*

Social Media Savvy
Saturday, March 12 2 p.m.
This class teaches the basics of signing up for popular social media sites (Twitter, Facebook), and provides hints on how to stay secure using them.

Gardening Class
Monday, March 14 7 p.m.
New and experienced gardeners are invited to join this informative class co-sponsored with the St. John Garden Club.

Hoosier Film Series
Tuesday, March 15 2-4 p.m.
Celebrate the Indiana Bicentennial through movies featuring Hoosier actors/actresses or are set in Indiana. This month *The Honeymooner* stars Indianapolis native Mike Epps as Ed Norton. Rated PG-13; 90 minutes run time.

Make & Takes: Crafts for Teens
Thursday, March 17 6 p.m.
Teens (6th to 12 grades) will create a special craft in an evening filled with food and fun.

Family Concert with Miss Lori!
Monday, March 21 10:30 a.m.
Lakeshore Public Television and LCPL are happy to bring you a free family concert featuring Miss Lori from *Miss Lori's Campus*. For children ages 2-8 and their families.

Computer Class: Navigating the Net
Wednesday, March 23 2 p.m.
Beginners will learn how to find information on the Internet using Google, Yahoo, and the library's webpage.

Classic Film Series
Thursday, March 24 2 p.m.
Roman Holiday stars Audrey Hepburn as a princess that encounters an American Journalist (Gregory Peck). Not rated; 119 minutes run time.

Ask Me! Computer Help
Tuesday, March 29 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 30 2 p.m.
Library staff is available to provide one-on-one basic computer help using the library's computers.

Lake County Public Library is participating in Indiana's Bicentennial Celebration.

Join us for the birthday fun!

Visit our website at:
http://lcplin.org/bicentennial.html

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March

Children's Classes

Mother Goose on the Loose!

Storytimes

Birth-23 mo. and a caregiver

This 30 minute lapsit program uses songs, rhymes, and finger plays to encourage interaction and foster language development and motor skills.

Cedar Lake Branch:
1st & 3rd Fri. 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

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or 2nd & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Highland Branch:
1st & 3rd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Lake Station-New Chicago
4th Monday 10:30 a.m.

Merrillville Branch
2nd & 4th Monday 10 a.m.
4th Saturday 10:15 a.m.

Munster Branch
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

2-3 Year Olds

This 45 minute program is filled with stories, songs, finger plays, and a craft.
(Caregivers must be present during program.)

Cedar Lake Branch:
2nd & 4th Thursday 10:30 a.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
3rd & 4th Wed. 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Highland Branch:
2nd & 4th Monday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
2nd & 4th Monday 10:30 a.m.
1st Friday 10:30 a.m.

Lake Station-New Chicago
3rd Monday 10:30 a.m.

Merrillville Branch
Every Tuesday 10 a.m.

Munster Branch
2nd & 4th Mon. 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
1st & 3rd Tues. 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

4-5 Year Olds

This hour program is filled with stories, songs, finger plays, and a craft.

Cedar Lake Branch:
1st & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m., 1 p.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Monday 1:30 p.m.
or 2nd & 3rd Tuesday 1:30 p.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp Branch
1st & 3rd Tuesday 1:00 p.m.

Highland Branch:
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
1st & 3rd Monday 1:30 p.m.

Merrillville Branch
Every Tuesday 11 a.m.

Munster Branch
1st & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m.
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St. John Branch:
2nd & 4th Monday 1 p.m.
2nd, & 4th Tuesday 10:30 a.m.

Cedar Lake Branch

10010 W. 133rd Avenue
Cedar Lake, IN 46303
374-7121
www.lcplin.org/branches/cl.htm

'Paws' for Reading & Fun
Wednesday, March 2 **5 p.m.**
Children of all ages and reading levels are invited to read to licensed therapy dogs and participate in reading activities, games, and crafts.

LEGO Mania
Thursday, March 3 **4 p.m.**
School age children will make and display their LEGO structures made with library LEGO bricks. All supplies and snacks provided.

STEAM Fridays
Every Friday **All Day**
Using Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math, enjoy experimenting, designing, building, computing, and crafting with new projects every Friday.

Learning & More @ the Library
March 7 to 31 **All Day**
All month enjoy early literacy activities, crafts, and more for all ages during library open hours. *Registration is not required.*

1, 2, 3, Learn & Play
Tues., March 29 **10:30 a.m. & 1 p.m.**
All ages can learn about numbers and math – count, add and subtract, too! Parents will take home great ideas to continue the teaching at home.

Minute to Win it – Part 2
Wednesday, March 30 **2 p.m.**
Children (kindergarten-grade 5) are welcome to test their skills in a fun-filled hour of games and timed activities. Snacks and prizes for all.

Dyer-Schererville Branch

1001 W. Lincoln Highway
Schererville, IN 46375
322-4731
www.lcplin.org/branches/ds.htm

Craft Table
March 1 to 31 **All Day**
Children of all ages are welcome to make a craft at the craft table in the children's department during open library hours.

Kids' Art Club
Tuesday, March 1 **4:30 p.m.**
Children from 6 to 12 years of age will learn how to draw and paint in this one hour class.

Dynamite DUPLOs
Wednesday, March 2 **10:30 a.m.**
2 to 5 year old children will participate in simple patterning and building activities with DUPLO blocks.

LEGO Club
Thursday, March 3 **6:30 p.m.**
Children (kindergarten-to grade 6) will use their creativity to build unique projects with the library's LEGO bricks.

Power Paws
Saturday, March 19 **11 a.m.**
Children of all ages and of all reading levels are invited to read to a Delta Society Pet Partner dog (accompanied by their trainers) provided through Power Paws for Kids. *Registration is not required.*

Book Bingo
Monday, March 21 **3 p.m.**
Everyone is invited to play bingo! Winners may select a special selection of books for all ages – from infants to adults.

Spring Break at the Library
Thursday, March 24 **1 p.m.**
School age children (kindergarten to grade 6) will enjoy a fun story, make a craft, have a snack, and play games.

Home Schooled Kids' Art Club
Wednesday, March 30 **10:30 a.m.**
Children from 6 to 12 years of age will learn how to draw and paint in this one hour class.

Griffith-Calumet Branch

1215 E. 45th Avenue
Griffith, IN 46319
838-2825
www.lcplin.org/branches/gr.htm

Think Spring Art Club
Monday, March 7 **6 p.m.**
Kids will create a spring project and learn something new about art.

Steam Team Titanic
Thursday, March 10 **6 p.m.**
Kids from 1st through 5th grade will learn about the Titanic and how objects sink or stay afloat, using games, experiments, and crafts to explore this topic.

LEGO Mania
Monday, March 14 **4 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will build with the library's LEGO blocks.

Home School Kids' Expert Fair
Tuesday, March 29 **1 p.m.**
Home schooled kids are invited to pick a topic to be an expert on, and present their project at our Expert Fair. Showcase your science, art, hobby, job, or sport you play and/or create a trifold board for display.

'Tweens Spring Break – Game On
Wednesday, March 30 **2-4 p.m.**
'Tweens (grades 5 to 8) can stop by anytime between 2 and 4 p.m. to play their choice of Wii electronic games or board games. *Registration is not required.*

Highland Branch

2841 Jewett Street
Highland, IN 46322
838-2394
www.lcplin.org/branches/hi.htm

Power Paws for Kids
Saturday, March 5 **11 a.m.**
Children of all ages and all reading levels can read aloud to a Power Paws dog. *Registration is not required.*

Family Story Hour
Tuesday, March 8 & 22 **6:30 p.m.**
Families with children 3 to 6 years of age will enjoy stories, fingerplays, music, and a craft.

LEGO Club
Wednesday, March 9 **3:30 p.m.**
Children who have completed kindergarten through grade 6 can free build or build the 'challenge' project with library LEGO blocks.

Home School Show & Tell
Thursday, March 10 **1 p.m.**
Home schooled children may bring the projects that are working on to share with one another, giving them an opportunity to practice speaking in front of a group while displaying pride in their work.

Hobart Branch

100 Main Street
Hobart, IN 46342
942-2243
www.lcplin.org/branches/ho.htm

LEGO Night
Tuesday, March 1 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will use their imagination to create structures using LEGO bricks.

'Tweens
Tuesday, March 8 **6 p.m.**
'Tweens (9 to 12 years of age) will create a spring season craft and discuss ideas for future programs.

Spring Holiday Crafting
Tuesday, March 15 **6 p.m.**
Students in kindergarten through grade 6 will make a spring season craft and hear a seasonal story.

Lake Station-New Chicago

2007 Central Avenue
Lake Station, IN 46405
962-2409
www.lcplin.org/branches/lsnc.htm

St. Patrick's Day Celebration
Wednesday, March 2 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will hear a St. Patrick's Day story and make a St. Patrick's Day craft.

Family, Food, Fun
Tuesday, March 8 **11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**
Families with children 2 years of age and under are invited to a story time for the family, a cooking & nutrition class for parents, a hot lunch, and raffle prizes. Each family will also receive a bag full of groceries. Please register using Facebook at 'NWI Family Support-NorthShore Health Centers' or through email to Mhigel2@Northshorehealth.org.

'Tweens Craft With Duct Tape
Wednesday, March 9 **6 p.m.**
'Tweens, 9 to 13 years of age, will celebrate St. Patrick's Day making duct tape pens.

Family Craft Night
Tuesday, March 15 **6-8 p.m.**
All members of the family will participate in crafting a St. Patrick Day votive light.

Children's Movie: *Shaun the Sheep*
Thursday, March 17 **6 p.m.**
In this delightful family film, a sheep takes a day off to have some fun and gets more than he anticipated. Rated PG, run time 85 minutes.

Family Story Time
Friday, March 18 **10:30 a.m.**
Families with children age 5 and under will enjoy a story time that includes stories, songs, finger plays, and a craft.

It's LEGO Night
Thursday, March 24 **6 p.m.**
Children of all ages are invited to create their own unique LEGO designs with the library's LEGOs.

Merrillville Branch

1919 W. 81st Avenue
Merrillville, IN 46410
769-3541, Ext. 360
www.lcplin.org/branches/cnl.htm

Craft Table for Children
March 1 to 31 **All Day**
Children of all ages are welcome to make a craft at the craft table in the youth education services department during library open hours.

Board Game Fun
Wednesday, March 2 **6 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten to grade 5 will meet to play fun board games. Family members are welcome to join in.

Homeschool Hangout: Game On
Thursday, March 3 **10:30 a.m.**
Homeschool families can meet to play fun games together, either with some of the library's great games or bring their own.

Five Senses Workshop for Caregivers
Saturday, March 5 **10 a.m.**
Lakeshore Public Television, in cooperation with Lake County Public Library and supported by the Legacy Foundation, presents this workshop focusing on the five senses that targets parents and caregivers of children 2 to 8 years of age.

LEGO Club
Tuesday, March 8 **4 p.m.**
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will have fun making their own unique LEGO structures. The only requirement is imagination!

'Tween Coloring Party
Thursday, March 10 **4 p.m.**
'Tweens will color bookmarks, specialized coloring pages, and even coloring with chalk.

Little Ones Library Safari
Saturday, March 12 **10 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.**
Story times and activities relating to *Talking, Singing, Reading, Writing, Playing, Science,* and *Math* will take place at 10:15 a.m. & 12:15 a.m. for infants and toddlers, and 11:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m. for family story time, as parents learn how to prepare their child for school.

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1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge
Sat., March 12 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Families can sign up for the library's 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge, a program that encourages families to read aloud to children regularly.

Little Ones Library Safari & 1000 Books Educational Panels
Sat., March 12 10:15 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.
Parents and caregivers are invited to join educational panels on early literacy, 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge, preparing your child for kindergarten, and more.

***Miss Lori* Family Concert**
Saturday, March 12 2 p.m.
Lakeshore Public Television brings you a free family concert featuring Miss Lori from *Miss Lori's Campus*. Children from 2 to 8 years of age will be especially inspired by her music which encourages learning through movement. The event is first come, first served.

Gaming Night
Wednesday, March 16 6 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to play *Wii, PlayStation 2*, and board games. Snacks served.

Homeschool Hangout: Show & Tell Movies
Thursday, March 24 10:30 a.m.
Homeschooled children and teens can bring in a special project to share with the group. This month's theme is movies.

LEGO Egg Hunt Challenge
Thursday, March 24 4 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 4 are invited to go on a hunt in order to make LEGO structures.

Saturday Stories: Winnie the Pooh
Saturday, March 26 11:15 a.m.
Families with children are invited to a 30 minute session of stories, songs, and finger plays all about their favorite stuffed bear. *Registration not required.*

Munster Branch
8701 Calumet Avenue
Munster, IN 46321
836-8450
www.lcplin.org/branches/mu.htm

Power Paws for Kids
Thursday, March 3 6 p.m.
Children of all ages and all reading levels will have fun reading library books to the Power Paws service dogs.

Chess Club
Fridays, March 1 to 25 3-5:30 p.m.
Both scholastic players and varying levels of experience are welcome to play chess facilitated by Jeff Graves.

LEGO Club
Thursday, March 10 4:30 p.m.
& Monday, March 21 10:30 a.m.
Young LEGO enthusiasts, kindergarten to grade 5, are invited to use their imagination to build with the library's LEGO bricks.

Snack & Play
Tuesday, March 22 1 p.m.
Children in kindergarten and older are invited to play board games, card games, and create puzzles. Popcorn, pretzels, juice, and water will be served.

It's a Block Party!
Thursday, March 24 10:30 a.m.
Parents and children (8 months to 8 years of age) will interact playing with blocks and learning to develop math, science, social, physical, problem-solving, and pre-reading skills in this program provided by Purdue University Extension. Please be sure to register.

Family Picnic Matinee
Friday, march 25 Noon
Bring your blanket and a sack lunch as children and their family enjoy this vividly realized fantasy movie: *Pan*. Cookies and juice provided. Rated PG; run time 111 minutes.

St. John Branch
9450 Wicker Avenue (US 41)
St. John, IN 46373
365-5379
www.lcplin.org/branches/sj.htm

Secret Agent Academy
Thursday, March 3 4:30 p.m.
Children in kindergarten to grade 5 are invited to hone their spy skills and graduate from our Secret Agent Academy.

Board Game Fun
Monday, March 7 4:30 p.m.
Children of all ages are invited to play board games.

LEGO Free Build
Saturday, March 19 11 a.m.
Young LEGO enthusiasts are invited to use their imagination as they build with library LEGO blocks.

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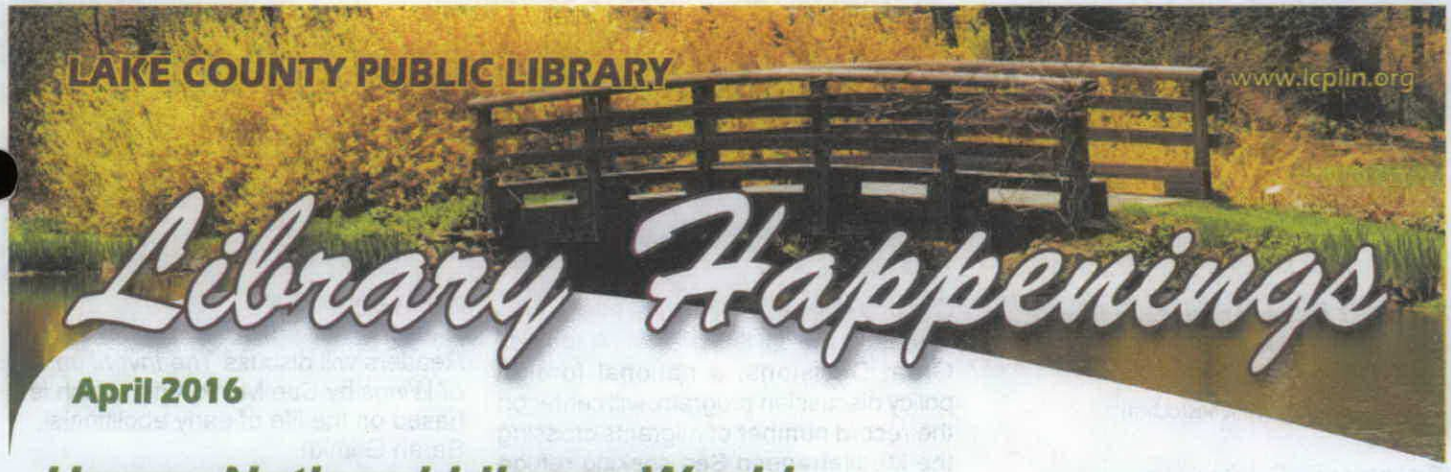
Family Story Time
Monday, March 21 6:30 p.m.
Children and their families will participate in stories, crafts, and other activities.

Gross Me Out @ the Library
Tuesday, March 22 4:30 p.m.
With everything from icky slime to gluey mud painting, kids (kindergarten to grade 5) get a chance to explore science's more disgusting side.

Power Paws for Kids
Saturday, March 26 11 a.m.
Children of all ages and all reading levels will enjoy reading to the Power Paws service dogs.



April 2016

Happy National Library Week!

This year, National Library Week is scheduled for April 10-16 under the theme of "Libraries Transform."

National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association that is a way to celebrate and recognize the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians. All types of libraries - school, public, academic and special - participate.

Here at the Lake County Public Library, we are eager to celebrate. To follow this year's theme, the library will be unveiling a new service and will also be giving out free giveaways! Our new service is called ***Hoopla*** and is available for our full access cardholders. With ***Hoopla***, you can stream movies, music, audio-books, ebooks, and even comics with just one click. There is no more waiting or even due dates to worry about.

We are also currently transitioning into new ways to inform our patrons of our monthly events. April will be the last month for the library ***Happenings*** to be printed. Beginning in May, each branch will have copies of printed calendars for the public to take of all the events in that particular month. This way, you may take a single piece of paper with the events listed at that location.

The Library has printed the monthly ***Happenings*** newsletter for many years and it has become an important tool for many of our patrons, but over the years it has been called to our attention that it was very costly and not environmentally friendly. As always, you may look up library events on our website and the new calendars will be posted as well.

As for reading suggestions, if you go onto our website at www.lcplin.org, on the top banner you can click on the word "Read" and you will find all sorts of reading recommendations. Staff even post books and write reviews. And if you do not want to use the website, most of our branches display books for "staff recommends" with reviews printed in the front cover.

So far, 2016 has come with many surprises and transitions. But as always, we hope you continue to enjoy your library with all of the new services, and of course, the good old fashioned stuff, too!

Jennifer Burnison
Marketing Manager

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Branch Library Happenings

Cedar Lake Branch

10010 E. 133rd Ave., Cedar Lake, IN 46303
374-7121
www.lcplin.org/branches/cl.htm

Bicentennial Celebration
April 1 to 30 — All Day
Everyone is invited to enjoy a display presented by the Cedar Lake Historical Association; play trivia; discover more about Cedar Lake and Indiana history.

Snack & Plan
Monday, April 4 — 4 p.m.
Teens (11 to 17) will have fun while earning volunteer hours. Eat, play games, plan programs for teens and younger kids.

Crochet & Knitting Class
Monday, April 4 & 18 — 7 p.m.
Both beginning and experienced knitters will receive instruction (bring size 7 needles and yarn), or learn beginning crochet stitches while working on a simple project (bring yarn and size H crochet hook).

An Afternoon of Scrabble
Monday, April 11 & 25 — 2-3:30 p.m.
Play Scrabble with others: games and snacks provided.

Great Decisions Discussion: Migration
Monday, April 11 & 25 — 6:30 p.m.
Great Decisions, a national foreign policy discussion program, will center on the record number of migrants crossing the Mediterranean Sea seeking refuge in Europe and the continent's struggle to come up with an adequate response.

History on the Big Screen
Tuesday, April 12 — 2 p.m.
This film chronicles the fascinating history and restoration of the French Lick Springs Hotel.

U-Pick Craft-Away
Tues. & Wed., Apr. 12 & 13 — 4 p.m.
Teens (11-17) can pick a craft from t-shirt art to duck tape creations. All supplies provided.

Stream it: Intro to *Hoopla*
Friday, April 15 — 3 p.m.
Learn about the library's free streaming service *Hoopla*: watch movies, listen to music and audio-books, and read ebooks. Bring your tablet, iPad, and/or smart phone.

Bicentennial Celebration: Liar's Bench
Saturday, April 16 — 1 p.m.
The Cedar Lake Historical Association will facilitate 'Liar's Bench,' where participants will view historic objects and have to guess what it is. *Registration not required.*

Books & Chat
Wednesday, April 20 — 6:30 p.m.
Readers will discuss *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd, which is based on the life of early abolitionist Sarah Grimke.

Create an Artful Life
Saturday, April 23 — 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.
Adults will work with acrylics with the assistance of a professional instructor. There is a $20 cash fee due at the time of class.

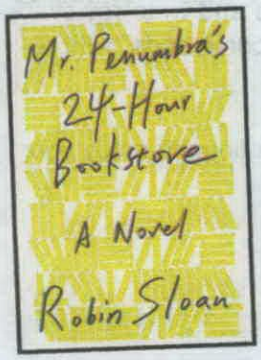
Travel the World Without Leaving Home
Tuesday, April 26 — 2 p.m.
Visit Kentucky, famous for its thoroughbred horses, bourbon, baseball bats, Carter Cave State Resort Park, Blue Cooperage, and whiskey barrel manufacturers.

Teen GameFest
Wednesday, April 27 — 3-5 p.m.
Teens (11-17) will play, *Wii, PlayStation*, and board games. Snacks and pop provided.

Bicentennial Celebration: Hoosierisms
Saturday, April 30 — 1 p.m.
Members of the NWI Storytelling Guild will share stories from Indiana – some fun, some fascinating, and some flabbergasting. *Registration not required.*

Online! BOOKreMARKS

April 1 to 30



This is a month-long online book discussion available to anyone, anywhere, at any time of day through email of ***Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore*** by Robin Sloan.

After a layoff during the Great Recession sidelines his tech career, Clay Jannon takes a job at a bookstore in San Francisco. There are only a few customers, but they come in repeatedly and never seem to actually buy anything, instead 'checking out' impossibly obscure volumes from strange corners of the store, all according to some elaborate, long-standing arrangement with the gnomic Mr. Penumbra. Jannon soon realizes that the establishment is a facade for a strange secret...

To join the discussion send an email to remarks@lcplin.org

Dyer-Schererville Branch

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322-4731
www.lcplin.org/branches/ds.htm

Create an Artful Life
Saturday, April 2 — 10 a.m. & 1 p.m.
In this painting class for adults, participants will follow an instructor's example and create an original piece of art. $20 cash fee is due at the time of class to cover the cost of materials provided. Register by March 30.

Independent Film
Monday, April 4 — 1 p.m.
Secrets of War puts both the danger and humanity of wartime friendships squarely on the shoulders of three children who must face extraordinary circumstances. Adults only; not rated; Dutch with English subtitles 95 minutes run time. *Registration is not required.*

Free Blood Pressure Screenings
Monday, April 4 — Noon – 3 p.m.
No appointments or registration required.

AARP Smart Driver Course
Tuesday, April 5 — 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Learn defensive driving techniques, safety strategies, and new traffic laws. $15 fee for AARP members; $20 for non-members. Call Jeanette Pike of AARP at 219-949-6307 to register.

Creative Writing, Part 1
Monday, April 11 — 6 p.m.
Writers at all levels (15 to adult) are invited to learn techniques, the publishing industry, editors, and how to get published.

Hoosier Film Series
Tuesday, April 12 — 1:30 p.m.
The Magnificent Ambersons takes place in the Amberson Mansion, the most ostentatious dwelling in all of turn-of-century Indianapolis, and features Michigan City born actress Anne Baxter. Not rated; 88 minutes run time.

Stamp Class
Tuesday, April 12 — 6:30 p.m.
Participants will work on projects created with designer paper, rubber stamps, and ink. The $5 fee due at the time of class covers the cost of materials provided. Please bring a glue stick.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 13 — 6:30 p.m.
Teens (11-18) are asked to help us finalize details for summer events. Refreshments provided. *Registration is not required.*

Introducing *Hoopla*
Thursday, April 14 — 11 a.m.
Learn about streaming digital movies, music, eBooks, and more, free of charge through *Hoopla*. All you need is your full access library card.

Tony Zale: The Man of Steel
Thursday, April 14 — 6 p.m.
Ted Zale will talk about his uncle, the two-time middleweight boxing champion and Gary native, best known for his three fights with Rocky Graziano.

Computer Class: Meet the Mouse
Monday, April 18 — 2 p.m.
Beginning users of the computer will learn to hold, move, and click a mouse efficiently.

Creative Writing, Part 2
Monday, April 18 — 6 p.m.
Participants should bring prose of 1,000 words, two small poems, or one lone poem for guided discussion of creative writing elements. Attendance at Creative Writing, Part 1 is not required.

Computer Class: Navigating the Net
Tuesday, April 19 — 2 p.m.
Monday, April 25 — 10 a.m.
Learn the basics of internet searching and safety. Participants must have mouse skills. Please be sure to register.

Safari Expedition for Teens
Tuesday, April 19 — 7 p.m.
Teens (11-18) will explore the world of citizen science and celebrate Earth Day by helping scientists categorize images of wildlife around the globe.

Computer Class: Basic Windows
Wednesday, April 20 — 2 p.m.
Thursday, April 28 — 2 p.m.
Learn computer terminology and how to use different programs. Participants must have basic mouse skills. Please be sure to register.

Virtual Tourist
Wednesday, April 20 — 7 p.m.
Explore the beauty of India. A local snack will be provided. *Registration is not required.*

Let's Tangle
Saturday, April 23 — 10 a.m.
Adults will learn the basics of Zentangle®, an easy and relaxing form of art for non-artists. All materials provided.

Keep Calm & Color On
Monday, April 25 — 12:30 or 5:30 p.m.
Adults are invited to de-stress and relax with pencils and intricate coloring sheets.

Computer Program: Email Essentials
Tuesday, April 26 — 2 p.m.
We will set you up with a free email account and/or teach you how to use one effectively. Bring your cell phone and be sure to register.

Book Dragons: Teen Book Club
Tuesday, April 26 — 6:30 p.m.
Teens (11-18) are invited to share favorite and most hated books, while helping to make movie trailers for books. *Registration is not required.*

Between the Lines
Wednesday, April 27 — 7 p.m.
or Thursday, April 28 — 10:15 a.m.
At the heart of *The Husband's Secret* by Liane Moriarty is a letter that was not meant to be read!

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch

1215 E. 45th Ave., Griffith, IN 46319
838-2825
www.lcplin.org/branches/gr.htm

Saturday Scrappers
Saturday, April 2 — 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Join this scrap book gathering while working on your own projects. *Registration not required.*

Create an Artful Life
Monday, April 4 — 3 or 6 p.m.
Adults will work with acrylics following a professional instructor's example. $20 cash fee due at the time of class to cover all materials.

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Paper Creations
Tuesday, April 5 **1 p.m.**
Design personalized cards and more as you learn, practice, and create with paper, rubber stamps, and ink. A $5 fee due at the time of class covers the cost of materials. Bring adhesive and scissors.

StoryLovers Book Group
Tuesday, April 5 **5:30 p.m.**
or Wednesday, April 6 **10:30 a.m.**
Read to discuss *Secrets of Sloan House (The Chicago World's Fair Mystery Series)* by Shelly Gray, the story of one woman's search for the truth of her sister's disappearance. *Registration not required.*

Thursday Threaders
Every Thursday 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Every or any Thursday, bring your cross-stitch, knitting, crochet, or any other craft to work on while enjoying the company of others. *Registration not required.*

An Afternoon of Scrabble
Thursday, April 7 **2 p.m.**
Folks of all ages are invited to a fun afternoon of Scrabble. *Registration not required.*

Mystery Loves Co. Discussion
Monday, April 11 **1 p.m.**
Discuss *Behind Closed Doors* by Elizabeth Haynes. Abducted at age 15, Scarlett is found 10 years later – why is her family less than enthusiastic about her return? *Registration not required.*

Tornado Awareness
Monday, April 11 **6:30 p.m.**
Members of the Griffith Fire Department will explain how to keep yourself and your family safe during tornado season. Registration not required.

Great Decisions Discussion Group
Tuesday, April 12 & 26 **6:30 p.m.**
Kurdistan, home to the largest ethnic groups in West Asia is an oil-rich autonomous region in Iraq, a close US ally, and a bulwark against the expansion of ISIS. What does the success of Iraqi Kurdistan mean for Kurds? *Registration not required.*

Gardening
Monday, April 18 **7 p.m.**
Master Gardener Jim Colias will discuss ways to insure you have a healthy, green lawn this summer.

Celebrating Indiana's Bicentennial
Tuesday, April 19 **1:30 p.m.**
Dr. John Ban presents Indiana's Hall of Fame performers: laugh at Red Skelton; wisecrack with David Letterman, pulsate with Michael Jackson; dance to the music of Cole Porter and Hoagie Carmichael, clap to country music in the Grand Old Opry founded by John Hay, swoon to Carole Lombard's movies; and trot along with many other Hoosier entertainers – past and present.

Movie Wednesday
Wednesday, April 20 **2 p.m.**
A teen bursting with scientific curiosity and a former boy-genius inventor embark on a mission to unearth the secrets of somewhere in time and space. *Tomorrowland*, starring George Clooney, is rated PG; run time 130 minutes. *Registration not required.*

Book Buddies
Monday, April 25 **4 p.m.**
Read to discuss *The Secret Life of Violet Grant* by Beatriz Williams, a story that includes passion, redemption, and a battered old suitcase full of secrets found in Manhattan, 1964. *Registration not required.*

Moon Called Book Discussion
Monday, April 25 **6:30 p.m.**
In this discussion meant for those urban/horror fantasy and paranormal fiction/romance readers, *Dark Currents* by Jacqueline Carey is the story of the daughter of an incubus that must ensure that all the supernatural creatures living in her town get along. *Registration not required.*

Time to Travel
Wednesday, April 27 **2 p.m.**
Take a virtual tour of the Turkish Riviera. Run time 60 minutes. *Registration not required.*

Graphic Novel Book Club
Thursday, April 28 **5:30 p.m.**
Teens are invited to join our graphic novel book discussion. *Registration not required.*

Teen Anime Club
Thursday, April 28 **6:30 p.m.**
Teens will watch an episode of a popular new series and decide what to watch the rest of the year. Snacks provided. *Registration not required.*

Money Smart Week
April 30, Saturday **2 p.m.**
A representative will be here to present tips for purchasing a home.

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History on Film
Monday, April 4 **2 & 6:30 p.m.**
Bob Hope's career began in vaudeville, where he had 3rd billing behind Siamese twins and trained seals. By the time he took his final bow, he was revered as "America's Entertainer." *Registration is not required.*

Teen Book Discussion
Wednesday, April 6 **3:45 p.m.**
Ms. Marvel Vol. 1 – No Normal by W. G. Wilson and (artist) A. A. Kamala. Find out who is the new Ms. Marvel. *Registration is not required.*

Camera Exposure Modes
Wednesday, April 6 **6:30 p.m.**
This free presentation will help you take better pictures with your camera. Registration requested.

Indiana Actors in Film
Monday, April 11 **2 or 6 p.m.**
In this 1953 film *I Confess*, the featured actors are Montgomery Clift, Karl Malden (of Gary) and Anne Baxter (of Michigan City and granddaughter of Frank Lloyd Wright). Not rated; 95 minutes run time. *Registration is not required.*

Fiction Book Discussion
Tuesday, April 12 **2 p.m.**
Cinnamon and Gunpowder by Eli Brown is a gripping adventure, a seaborne romance, and a twist on the tale of Scheherazade, with the best food ever served aboard a pirate's ship. Registration is not required.

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, April 12 **6 p.m.**
Teen fans of Anime & Manga will be watching *Ouran High School Host Club* (rated TV-14). This comedy has plenty of shenanigans (romantic and otherwise). *Registration is not required.*

Computer Class: Meet the Mouse
Wednesday, April 13 **1:30 p.m.**
or Thursday, April 14 **1:30 p.m.**
Beginning users of the computer will learn how to hold, move, and click the mouse successfully.

W. C. Fields Movie Marathon
Saturday, April 16
View the comic genius of W. C. Fields on the library's cinematic screen: 10 a.m. *It's A Gift* (1934), 11:30 a.m. *The Bank Dick* (1940), 1 p.m. *My Little Chicadee* (1940), and 2:30 p.m. *Never Give a Sucker an Even Break* (1941). Come for one or come for them all! *Registration is not required.*

Travel Film
Monday, April 18 **2 & 6:30 p.m.**
Travel to Morocco as you visit Casablanca, the most important harbor in North Africa, and the gateway to the magic of the Orient. *Registration is not required.*

Computer Class:
Make the Most of Library Computers
Tuesday, April 19 & 26 **1:30 p.m.**
Beginners (with mouse skills) learn the keyboard, desktop, and simple word processing skills. Registration is necessary!

Teen Advisory board
Wednesday, April 20 **3:45 p.m.**
Snacks will be served and teens will make plans for upcoming projects. *Registration is not required.*

Stamp Camp
Wednesday, April 20 **6:30 p.m.**
With professional assistance participants will design and complete customized greeting cards and more. There is a $5 fee to cover the cost of materials due at the time of class.

Inspirational Book Discussion
Thursday, April 21 **2 p.m.**
Join in the discussion of *The Art of Losing Yourself* by Kate Gangshart, a rich, emotionally-charged tale of second chances, restoration, finding hope and love when it seems perpetually out of sight. *Registration is not required.*

Gardening
Thursday, April 21 **6:30 p.m.**
Master Gardener Dolly Foster presents advice on how to get started with your home garden. *Registration is not required.*

Teens – Zooinverse for Earth Day
Friday, April 22 **4 p.m.**
Teens (11-18) will help scientists by working on research projects on Zooinverse. Please register or bring your own laptop.

Classic/Feature Film
Monday, April 25 **2 & 6 p.m.**
Bing Crosby and Bob Hope are Mediterranean shipwreck survivors that hitch a camel ride across the dessert. The 1942 big screen production of *Road to Morocco*, which also stars Dorothy Lamour, is not rated; run time 83 minutes. Registration is not required.

Know the 10 Signs of Alzheimer's Disease
Wednesday, April 27 **1:30 p.m.**
Early detection of Alzheimer's disease provides the chance to begin drug therapy, enrollment in clinical studies, and time to make plans for the future. This interactive workshop is conducted by a care consultant from the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Indiana Chapter.

Teen – Game On!
Wednesday, April 27 **5:30 p.m.**
Teens (11-18) can play *PS2*, *Wii* games; bring *Magic* and *Pokemon* decks; and participate in *Munchkin, Superhero Throwdown,* and *Superfight*. *Registration is not required.*

Computer Class: Navigating the Net
Thursday, April 28 **1:30 p.m.**
Beginners will learn how to find information on the Internet using Google and Yahoo. Basic mouse skills and understanding of computer desktop needed to fully participate. Registration is necessary.

Once Upon a Crime
Thursday, April 28 **7 p.m.**
Designated Daughters by Margaret Maron is wonderfully romantic even in the midst of murder with a host of an unlikely set of suspects! *Registration is not required.*

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Android Device Help
Monday, April 4 & 18 **6 p.m.**
Bring your android device and we will assist you with how to use it effeciently.

Brussels
Tuesday, April 5 **2 p.m.**
Explore the capital of Belgium, the medieval city Brussels, and more.

Adult Learning Classes
Wed. & Thurs., April 6-28 **12-4 p.m.**
Attend classes free of charge to prepare for a your G.E.D., adult basic education, or English as a second language. Call Lynn Pergher of Hobart Learning Center at 942-2243, ext. 672 to register.

Apple Device Help
Wednesday, April 6 **6 p.m.**
& Monday, April 25 **6 p.m.**
Bring your iPad and we will assist you with using it efficiently.

Adult Coloring Circle
Friday, April 8 **4 p.m.**
Adults are invited to drop in for the quiet tranquility and stress relief of coloring. Designs and color pencils provided. *Registration not required.*

The Basics of Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease
Monday, April 11 **1:30 p.m.**
Learn the facts in this class that provides information on detection, causes, risk factors, stages of the disease, treatment, and much more.

Hoosier Film Series
Tuesday, April 12 **2 p.m.**
James Dean of Marion, IN stars in *Rebel Without A Cause*. Rated PG-13, 111 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Intro to *Hoopla*
Wednesday, April 13 **3 p.m.**
& Saturday, April 23 **3:30 p.m.**
Feel free to bring your tablet and/or smart phone to learn how you can access movies, music, and audio books provided by the library's newest online service – *Hoopla*. *Registration not required.*

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Branch Library Happenings

Contemporary Book Club
Tuesday, April 19 10:30 a.m.
When the coffee shop manager is murdered in Middlebury's Amish Artisan Village, two women from different walks of life must join together to solve the mystery in *Murder Simply Brewed* by Vanetta Chapman.

Getting Started with Pinterest
Tuesday, April 19 3 p.m.
Learn all about Pinterest, a pinboard-style photo sharing website

Teen Gaming
Wednesday, April 20 6 p.m.
Teens (grade 6 and up) are invited to play video games on *Wii* and *PlayStation*, as well as board games.

D IY Sharpie Mug
Wednesday, April 27 6 p.m.
Teens (grades 6 – 12) will design their own coffee mug using Sharpie markers provided. Please bring a plain white mug to decorate.

Lake Station-New Chicago

2007 Central Avenue, Lake Station, IN 46405
962-2409
www.lcplin.org/branches/lsnc.htm

One on One Computer Class
Monday, April 4 & 25 2 p.m.
Adults can sign up for a one hour session on how to use the internet, set up a free email account, or write a resume. Please call the library to schedule an appointment.

English as a Second Language
Mon. & Wed., April 4-27 5 p.m.
Neighbors' Educational Opportunities offers English language classes, free of charge. To register call 219-850-4448 or visit their website at www.neoadulted.org.

Computer Class: Navigating the Net
Tuesday, April 5 2 p.m.
Beginners will learn how to find information on the internet using Google and Yahoo. Basic mouse skills required. Class size is limited, and registration is required.

Intro to eBooks
Wednesday, April 6 2 p.m.
Adults will learn how to use and request library eBooks.

Book Chat
Thursday, April 7 10:30 a.m.
A newly independent widow comes to realize an inner strength to pursue developing opportunities in *Emily, Alone* by O'Nan Stewart.

Family Nutrition
Friday, April 8 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Purdue Cooperative Extension Service Nutrition Adviser, Belinda Stepnowski, discusses how to prepare quick, tasty, and healthy, low-cost foods.

Computer Class: Email
Monday, April 11 2 p.m.
Adults will learn how to set up a free email account and how to send email.

Ask Me! Employment Resources
Monday, April 11 2 p.m.
Librarians will help you in this one-on-one, walk-in session to research jobs, organize a resume, sign up for free email accounts, introduce online job searching, upload your resume, and answer your specific job questions.

Teen Council
Tuesday, April 12
Teens are invited to the Teen Council to help plan teen programs. *Registration not required.*

Coffee, Donuts & *Citizen Kane*
Wednesday, April 13 10:30 a.m.
Following the death of a publishing tycoon, reporters scramble to discover the meaning of his final utterance. *Citizen Kane* stars Joseph Cotton, Orson Wells, Agnes Moorehead, Ruth Warrick; is not rated; run time 120 minutes. *Registration not required.*

Movie Wednesday:
Everglades of the North
Wednesday, April 13 2 p.m.
Less than a century ago, the Grand Kankakee Marsh in Northwest Indiana resembled the swamp lands of Florida's Everglades. Refreshments served. *Registration not required.*

Introduction to *Hoopla*
Thursday, April 14 3 p.m.
Learn about *Hoopla*, the library's, free streaming service to watch movies, listen to music, hear audio-books, and read eBooks. Registration appreciated.

National Library Week Celebration
Saturday, April 16 3 p.m.
Refreshments will be served and participants will make a paper-folding craft. *Registration not required.*

Searching Databases:
Consumer Reports
Monday, April 18 2 p.m.
Learn how to search *Consumer Reports* using the library database. Seating is limited.

Adult Coloring Program
Tuesday, April 19 6 p.m.
Coloring is a wonderful way to relieve stress; come join us. Coloring sheets and colored pencils provided. *Registration not required.*

Paper Crafting with Diane Arias
Saturday, April 23 2 p.m.
During this workshop participants will work with paper materials to create a working pinwheel, will create paper rosettes, and discuss ways to use and/or display an example of your new skills and handiwork. Seating limited.

Computer Class: Resume Writing
Tuesday, April 26 2 p.m.
Need to update your resume? We'll here to help and have several templates available. Registration required.

Merrillville Branch

1919 W. 81st Ave., Merrillville, IN 46410
769-3541
www.lcplin.org/branches/cnl.htm

English as a Second Language
Mon. & Wed., Apr. 4-27 6:30 p.m.
English classes are provided for participants to learn the English language. Classes (free of charge) include speaking, reading, and writing at different levels of instruction. Contact the Literacy Coordinator at ext. 336.

National Library Week
Mon.-Sat., April 11-16 All Day
Celebrate *National Library Week* with programs, displays, treats, and a contest – ask for an entry slip at the information desks for a prize drawing. Ext. 212

What's All the *Hoopla*?
Monday, April 11 10:30 a.m.
It's *National Library Week* and LCPL is releasing a new feature for our Full Access Cardholders: streaming movies, music and audiobooks via *Hoopla*! *Registration not required.*

Book Bingo
Tuesday, April 12 1-3 p.m.
Join us for a book bingo and winners will receive tickets for free items from our book sale room. Ext. 334

Circle of Readers Book Discussion
Thursday, April 14 6:15 p.m.
Readers will discuss *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail* by Cheryl Strayed; a powerful, blazingly honest, inspiring memoir of a 1,100 mile solo hike that broke down then built up a young woman reeling from catastrophe. *Registration not required.*

Financial Literacy Workshop
Thursday, April 14 6:30 p.m.
Topics covered by the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Northwest Indiana include: Dealing With Debt; How to Prepare a Workable Budget; Saving Tips; and How to Build Wealth; and Understanding Credit. Ext. 339

Celebrate Indiana with a Movie
Saturday, April 16 1 p.m.
Greg Kinnear from Logansport, IN plays the role of a scholarly newspaper columnist in the 1999 romantic comedy *You've Got Mail*. *Registration not required.*

Create an Artful Life
Monday, April 18 10 a.m. & 1 p.m.
Sign up for either session of this painting class for adults working with acrylics and canvas on an easel. There is a $20 cash fee due at the time of class to cover the cost of materials. Ext. 212

eBook Mondays
Monday, April 18 2 p.m.
Learn how to download and read eBooks and digital magazines on your tablet. Please bring your personal device. *Registration not required.*

Teen Anime Club
Tuesday, April 19 6 p.m.
Teens (13-18) are invited to join us for the anime feature: *Wolf Children*. Rated PG-13; run time 117 minutes.

Musical Adventures in Indiana History
Wednesday, April 20 2 p.m.
All are invited to a musical journey as Susan Ruth Brown, a multi-instrumentalist and songstress, performs on fretted dulcimer, guitar, zither, auto harp, piano, penny whistle, recorder and various rhythm instruments. Ext. 338

Introduction to Alzheimer's Disease
Friday, April 22 10 a.m.
Join this free informational and interactive session that focuses on understanding the disease process of progressive dementia. A light lunch will be provided at 11:30am followed by a session on advanced issues and strategies. *Registration not required.*

Movie Time
Saturday, April 23 1 p.m.
View the conclusion of the Hunger Games movies, *Mockingjay – Part 2*, with popcorn and beverages provided. Rated PG-13; 136 minutes run time. *Registration not required.*

Genealogy Class: Advanced FamilySearch.org Searching
Friday, April 29 1 p.m.
Genealogist KayLynn Matthews will present an advanced searching class, FamilySearch.org, one of the world's largest genealogy collections available to search online free of charge. Ext. 336

Munster Branch

8701 Calumet Ave., Munster, IN 46321
836-8450
www.lcplin.org/branches/mu.htm

AARP Smart Driver Program
Monday, April 4 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
In this classroom course for adults learn defensive driving techniques, proven safety strategies, new traffic laws and rules of the road. There is a $15 fee for AARP members, and $20 for non-members.

The Vikings (Great Courses Film Series)
Tuesday, April 5 6:30 p.m.
Presented by the Nordikfolk Lodge #761 of the Vasa Order of America, featured this month are: *Jarls and Sea Kings of Norway* and *St. Olaf of Norway*.

Sit & Stitch
Monday, April 11 1-3 p.m.
Bring your own crochet, knitting, or sewing project and gather with others who have a common thread.

Independent Film Series
Tuesday, April 12 1:30 p.m.
Inspired by true events, *God's Slaves* is the story of two extremists – an Islamist terrorist and a cold-blooded Israeli special agent, who cross paths in Buenos Aries, 1994. In Spanish with English subtitles; not rates; adults only; 91 minutes run time.

Teen Anime Club
Wednesday, April 13 3:30 p.m.
Teen (grades 6 to 12) fans of Anime or Manga will watch episodes of a popular new series. Snacks provided.

Gibson Woods Nature Preserve
Monday, April 18 1:30 p.m.
Joy Bower will discuss the Gibson Woods Nature Preserve, a 131 acre undisturbed island of nature tucked away in the heart of this industrial region. Program co-hosted by the Munster Garden Club.

Teen Book Discussion
Tuesday, April 19 3:30 p.m.
Teens (grades 6-12) will discuss *Cinder* by Marissa Meyer, a futuristic take on the classic Cinderella story. *Registration not required.*

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Branch Library Happenings

Travel Film Series
Thursday, April 21 — 2 p.m.
Visit the capital of the Czech Republic, Prague, known as the city of 100 spires.

Joy of Coloring
Wednesday, April 27 — 1-3 p.m.
Adults are invited to socialize, be creative, and shake off stress while letting their inner artist loose. Colored pencils and beautiful coloring sheets provided.

Thursday Afternoon Book Discussion
Thursday, April 28 — 1:30 p.m.
Dr. Charlotte Reese struggles to keep an unidentified hit-and-run victim questioning how far medical technology should go in *Gemini* by Carol Cassella.

Great Books Discussion
Thursday, April 28 — 6:30 p .m.
Readers are invited to a discourse of Plato's *The Republic*, a selection from the fifth series of 'Great Books' that includes the best that has been thought and written in the Western tradition.

Fifth Friday Book Club
Friday, April 29 — 10:30 a.m.
A pharmaceutical company researcher travels to the Amazon delta to check on a field team that has been silent for two years in *State of Wonder* by Ann Patchett.

Made in Indiana Matinee
Friday, April 29 — 1 p.m.
Partially filmed in southern Indiana, *A League of Their Own* is the story of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League and features Tom Hanks, Geena Davis, Rosie O'Donnell, Madonna, and Gary Marshall. Rated PG; 127 minutes run time.

St. John Branch

9450 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN 46373
365-5379
www.lcplin.org/branches/sj.htm

Stamp Camp
Monday, April 4 — 6:30 p.m.
Express your creativity with rubber stamps and decorative paper. There is a $5 fee to cover the cost of materials provided due at the time of class.

Travel Film Series
Tuesday, April 5 — 2 p.m.
Journey with us on a road trip from Maine to Key West, all from the comfort of the library! Refreshments will be served

Color Your Stress Away
Wednesday, April 6 — 2-4 p.m.
Adults are invited for an afternoon of stress relief and fun through coloring with intricate color sheets and colored pencils.

Sit & Stitch
Wednesdays, April 6 & 20 — 6:30 p.m.
Bring your crochet, knitting, or sewing project and gather with others who have a common thread.

Dramarama
Monday, April 11 — 4 p.m.
Teens (11-17) are invited to join us to play some improv games and practice some performing skills.

Page Turners Book Club
Wednesday, April 13 — 6:30 p.m.
Join us as we discuss *And then There Were None* a classic murder mystery by Agatha Christie.

Hoosier Film Series
Tuesday, April 19 — 2 p.m.
Celebrate the Indiana Bicentennial through movies featuring Hoosier actors and actresses. See the 1955 classic, *Rebel Without a Cause* starring James Dean (from Marion, IN). Rated PG-13; run time 111 minutes.

D-I-Y Crafts for Teens
Thursday, April 21 — 6 p.m.
Every book is better with an origami dog or heart to mark your place. Teens in grades 6 to 12 will make origami bookmarks. Snacks served.

Join us for the birthday fun!

Lake County Public Library is participating in Indiana's Bicentennial Celebration.

2016 marks Indiana's 200th year as a state! The Lake County Public Library is excited to help all Hoosiers celebrate as an Official Endorsed Legacy Project.

We'll be celebrating all year long at all nine locations with classes, events, and special displays. We'll even be working with local historical societies to bring the history of your community into the spotlight, both in the library and online. We hope you'll have a great time helping us celebrate this year!

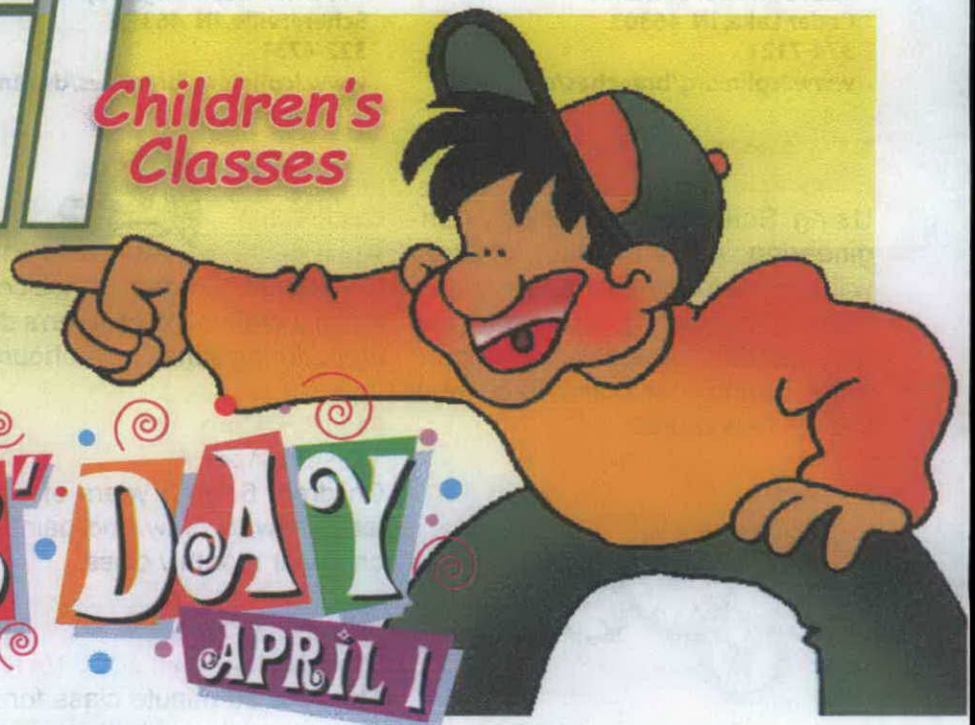
- Presentations on historical topics
- Entertainment and musical guests
- Geocaching historical sites
- Social media: trivia and photos
- Displays by local historical societies
- Summer reading fun!
- Social media: Tell us your personal memories of history around the region

And much more!

Visit our website at: http://lcplin.org/bicentennial.html

The Library's Mission: The purpose of the Lake County Public Library is to provide the highest quality informational, educational, cultural, and recreational resources and services to residents of all ages in the Lake County Public Library district.

April Children's Classes



APRIL FOOLS' DAY APRIL 1

Mother Goose on the Loose!

Storytimes

Birth-23 mo. and a caregiver

This 30 minute lapsit program uses songs, rhymes, and finger plays to encourage interaction and foster language development and motor skills.

Cedar Lake Branch:
1st & 3rd Fri. 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Monday 10:30 a.m.
or 2nd & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Highland Branch:
1st & 3rd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Lake Station-New Chicago
4th Friday 10:30 a.m.

Merrillville Branch
2nd & 4th Monday 10 a.m.
2nd & 4th Saturday 10:15 a.m.

Munster Branch
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

2-3 Year Olds

This 45 minute program is filled with stories, songs, finger plays, and a craft.
(Caregivers must be present during program.)

Cedar Lake Branch:
2nd & 4th Thursday 10:30 a.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Wed. 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp. Branch
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Highland Branch:
2nd & 4th Monday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
2nd & 4th Monday 10:30 a.m.
3rd Friday 10:30 a.m.

Merrillville Branch
Every Tuesday 10 a.m.

Munster Branch
2nd & 4th Mon. 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
1st & 3rd Tues. 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

4-5 Year Olds

This hour program is filled with stories, songs, finger plays, and a craft.

Cedar Lake Branch:
1st & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m., 1 p.m.

Dyer-Schererville Branch
2nd & 3rd Monday 1:30 p.m.
or 2nd & 3rd Tuesday 1:30 p.m.

Griffith-Calumet Twp Branch
1st & 3rd Tuesday 1:00 p.m.

Highland Branch:
2nd & 4th Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Hobart Branch
1st & 3rd Monday 1:30 p.m.

Merrillville Branch
Every Tuesday 1:30 p.m.

Munster Branch
1st & 3rd Tuesday 10:30 a.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

St. John Branch:
2nd & 4th Monday 1 p.m.
2nd & 4th Tuesday 10:30 a.m.

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10010 W. 133rd Avenue
Cedar Lake, IN 46303
374-7121
www.lcplin.org/branches/cl.htm

Dyer-Schererville Branch
1001 W. Lincoln Highway
Schererville, IN 46375
322-4731
www.lcplin.org/branches/ds.htm

Griffith-Calumet Branch
1215 E. 45th Avenue
Griffith, IN 46319
838-2825
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STEAM Fridays
Every Friday — All Day
Using Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math, children will enjoy experimenting, designing, building, computing, and crafting as they conduct activities and experiments during open hours. Each week bring a new project.

Learning & More @ the Library
April 4-30 — All Day
All month long enjoy early literacy activities, along with crafts and more for all ages during library open hours. It's always fun @ the library!

'Paws' For Reading & Fun
Wednesday, April 6 — 5 p.m.
Children of all ages and any reading level can read to licensed therapy dogs and participate in reading activities, games, and crafts. Preschoolers must be accompanied by an adult.

LEGO Mania
Thursday, April 7 — 4 p.m.
Children through grade 6 will construct and display their own LEGO structures made with library LEGO bricks. All supplies and snacks provided. Preschool children must be accompanied by an adult.

National Library Week Celebration
Mon. to Sat., April 11-16 — All Day
This year we celebrate Libraries Transform! All week long during open hours, re-purpose a variety of things using library materials and technology. All supplies will be on hand.

Craft Table
April 4-30 — All Day
Children of all ages are welcome to make a craft in the children's department during library open hours.

Kids Art Club
Tuesday, April 5 — 4:30 p.m.
Children, 6 to 12 years of age, will learn how to draw and paint in this one hour monthly class.

Dynamite DUPLOs
Wednesday, April 6 — 10:30 a.m.
This is a 30 minute class for 2 to 5 year old children (with a caregiver) that includes simple patterning and building activities with the library's DUPLO blocks.

LEGO Club
Thursday, April 7 — 6:30 p.m.
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will use their creativity to build unique projects with the library's LEGO bricks.

Power Paws
Saturday, April 16 — 11 a.m.
Children of all ages and any reading level will have the opportunity to read a book to one of the registered Delta Society Pet Partner dogs (accompanied by their trainers). The dogs are provided through Power Paws for Kids, a non-profit organization. *Registration is not required.*

Home School Art Club
Wednesday, April 27 — 10:30 a.m.
Children, 6 to 12 years of age, will learn how to draw and paint in this one-hour monthly class.

Art Club
Monday, April 4 — 6 p.m.
Kids will create a fun project and learn something new about art.

STEAM Team Twister
Thursday, April 14 — 6 p.m.
Kids from 1st to 5th grade will learn about tornadoes using games, experiments, and crafts to explore this topic.

The Interactive *Wizard of Oz*
Saturday, April 16 — 1:30-4:30 p.m.
Families are invited to watch the classic film, *The Wizard of Oz*, while blowing bubbles, sharing lollipops, or throwing apples and other interactive activities. Snacks provided.

LEGO Mania
Monday, April 18 — 4 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will build with the library's LEGO blocks.

Home School Kids – Earth Day
Friday, April 22 — 10:30 a.m.
Home schooled kids will celebrate Earth Day with earth friendly stories and activities; play a game, and have a snack.

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Power Paws for Kids
Saturday, April 2 — 11 a.m.
Children of all ages and any reading level will have the opportunity to read aloud to a Power Paws dog. The dogs make excellent listeners and provide a safe environment for children to practice their reading skills. *Registration not required.*

Home School Game On
Tuesday, April 12 — 1 p.m.
A variety of board games will be available for the children to play, or, if you prefer, bring games of your own.

Family Story Hour
Tuesday, April 12, 26 — 6:30 p.m.
Families with children that are 3 to 6 years of age will enjoy stories, fingerplays, music, and a craft.

LEGO Club
Wednesday, April 13 — 3:30 p.m.
Children who have completed kindergarten to grade 6 are invited to free build with the library's LEGO blocks or build the 'challenge' project.

National Library Week
Thursday, April 14 — 3:30 p.m.
Kids are invited to a game of Candy Book Bingo. It's bingo with a twist: we'll use book titles to play. Snack-size candy prizes are sure to please the winners!

Happy Mother's Day

Take This Jar & Fill It!
Thursday, April 21 — 3:30 p.m.
With Mother's Day just around the corner, kids may come to the library to make something for their moms. Children must be old enough to read and following directions.

Hobart Branch
100 Main Street
Hobart, IN 46342
942-2243
www.lcplin.org/branches/ho.htm

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LEGO Night
Tuesday, April 5 — 6 p.m.
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will use their imagination to create structures using the library's LEGO bricks.

Greyt Readers
Wednesday, April 13 — 6 p.m.
Children of all ages and any reading level can read to the dogs! Greyhounds are provided by American Greyhound. *Registration not required.*

Spring Craft
Tuesday, April 19 — 6 p.m.
Students in kindergarten to grade 6 will make a spring craft and hear a seasonal story.

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2007 Central Avenue
Lake Station, IN 46405
962-2409
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Earth Day
Wednesday, April 6 — 6 p.m.
School age children, kindergarten to grade 5, will enjoy an Earth Day celebration.

Family Story Time
Friday, April 8 — 10:30 a.m.
Families can enjoy a story time that includes stories, songs, and finger plays.

National Library Week Celebration for 'Tweens
Wednesday, April 13 — 6 p.m.
'Tweens, kids 9 to 13 years of age, will celebrate National Library Week by crafting poetry magnets.

LEGO Night
Thursday, April 28 — 6 p.m.
Children of all ages are invited to create their own unique LEGO designs.

Merrillville Branch
1919 W. 81st Avenue
Merrillville, IN 46410
769-3541, Ext. 360
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Craft Table for Children
April 1 to 30 — All Day
Children of all ages are welcome to make a craft at the craft table in the Youth Education Services department during library open hours.

Book Buddies
Tuesday, April 5 & 19 — 4 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 6 are invited to come in to read a book or have a member of Andrean H.S. National Honor Society read to them.

Board Game Fun
Wednesday, April 6 — 6 p.m.
Children in kindergarten to grade 5 will meet to play fun board games. Family members are welcome to join in!

Homeschool Hangout: Game On!
Thursday, April 7 — 10:30 a.m.
Homeschool families can meet to play fun games together with some great board games at the library, or can bring their own games as well.

Saturday Stories: Spring is Here!
Saturday, April 9 — 11:15 a.m.
Families with children birth to 12 years of age are invited to a 30 minute Saturday session of stories, songs, and finger plays all about spring. *Registration is not required.*

LEGO Club
Tuesday, April 12 — 4 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will have fun making their own unique LEGO structures. The only requirement is imagination.

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Homeschool Hangout: Show & Tell – Recycling
Thursday, April 14 10:30 a.m.
Homeschooled children and teens can bring a special project to share with the group. April's theme is: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

National Poetry Month Celebration for 'Tweens
Thursday, April 14 4 p.m.
'Tweens are invited to celebrate National Poetry month by experimenting with creating poetry in many different forms.

Libraries Transform: eBook Story Time
Friday, April 15 4 p.m.
The theme for National Library Week is 'Libraries Transform.' Celebrate your favorite thing about the library with a special family story time. *Registration is not required.*

Gaming Night
Wednesday, April 20 6 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to play *Wii, PlayStation 2*, and board games. Snacks served.

Saturday Stories: Celebrate Poetry Month
Saturday, April 23 11:15 a.m.
Families with children birth to 12 years of age are invited to a 30 minute Saturday session of stories, songs, and finger plays concerning poetry. *Registration is not required.*

Mad Hatter's Tea Party
Thursday, April 28 4 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 4 are cordially invited to our Alice in Wonderland themed tea party. There will be crafts, games, snacks, and lots of silly fun. Don't be late for this very important date!

Munster Branch
8701 Calumet Avenue
Munster, IN 46321
836-8450
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Chess Club
Every Friday 3-5:30 p.m.
This program, facilitated by Jeffrey Graves, is aimed at scholastic players though all levels of experience are welcome. 1st through 12th grades are welcome.

Power Paws for Kid
Thursday, April 7 6 p.m.
Children of all ages and all reading levels will have fun reading library books to the Power Paws service dogs.

LEGO Club
Thursday, April 14 4:30 p.m.
Young LEGO enthusiasts, kindergarten and up, are invited to stop by for some creative building time with other kids. Participants will construct with the library's LEGO blocks.

Book Bingo
Thursday, April 14 6 p.m.
To commemorate National Library Week, everyone is invited to play bingo. Adult, teen, and children's books will be awarded as prizes.

CIRCUS: Science Under the Big Top
Thursday, April 28 4:30 p.m.
Children in kindergarten and older will take a look at the science behind the circus: test your center of gravity, experiment with the cannon ball, learn the science of juggling, and more.

St. John Branch
9450 Wicker Avenue (US 41)
St. John, IN 46373
365-5379
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Board Game Fun
Monday, April 4 4:30 p.m.
Children of all ages are invited to play board games at the library. Preschool age children and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

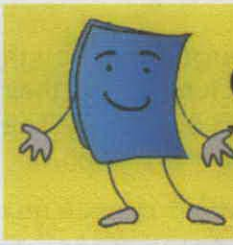
Let's Roll
Thursday, April 7 4:30 p.m.
What rolls down a giant ramp? Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will design a course...all materials provided, you just need gravity and a little imagination.

LEGO Free Build
Saturday, April 16 1 a.m.
Young LEGO enthusiasts are invited to use their imagination to build with the library's LEGO blocks.

Family Story Time
Monday, April 18 6:30 p.m.
Children and their families will participate in stories, crafts, and other activities.

Power Paws for Kids
Saturday, April 23 11 a.m.
Children of all ages and all reading levels will enjoy reading to Power Paws service dogs.

Fairy Tale Festival
Tuesday, April 26 4:30 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will enjoy fairy tales; hear some hilarious twists on old classics; play group games and Mad-Libs; take our trivia challenge; and join our celebration from 'Once Upon a Time."



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Griffith-Calumet Branch
1215 E. 45th Avenue
Griffith, IN 46319
838-2825
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STEAM Fridays
Every Friday — All Day
Using Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math, children will enjoy experimenting, designing, building, computing, and crafting as they conduct activities and experiments during open hours. Each week bring a new project.

Learning & More @ the Library
April 4-30 — All Day
All month long enjoy early literacy activities, along with crafts and more for all ages during library open hours. It's always fun @ the library!

'Paws' For Reading & Fun
Wednesday, April 6 — 5 p.m.
Children of all ages and any reading level can read to licensed therapy dogs and participate in reading activities, games, and crafts. Preschoolers must be accompanied by an adult.

LEGO Mania
Thursday, April 7 — 4 p.m.
Children through grade 6 will construct and display their own LEGO structures made with library LEGO bricks. All supplies and snacks provided. Preschool children must be accompanied by an adult.

National Library Week Celebration
Mon. to Sat., April 11-16 — All Day
This year we celebrate Libraries Transform! All week long during open hours, re-purpose a variety of things using library materials and technology. All supplies will be on hand.

Craft Table
April 4-30 — All Day
Children of all ages are welcome to make a craft in the children's department during library open hours.

Kids Art Club
Tuesday, April 5 — 4:30 p.m.
Children, 6 to 12 years of age, will learn how to draw and paint in this one hour monthly class.

Dynamite DUPLOs
Wednesday, April 6 — 10:30 a.m.
This is a 30 minute class for 2 to 5 year old children (with a caregiver) that includes simple patterning and building activities with the library's DUPLO blocks.

LEGO Club
Thursday, April 7 — 6:30 p.m.
Children in kindergarten to grade 6 will use their creativity to build unique projects with the library's LEGO bricks.

Power Paws
Saturday, April 16 — 11 a.m.
Children of all ages and any reading level will have the opportunity to read a book to one of the registered Delta Society Pet Partner dogs (accompanied by their trainers). The dogs are provided through Power Paws for Kids, a non-profit organization. *Registration is not required.*

Home School Art Club
Wednesday, April 27 — 10:30 a.m.
Children, 6 to 12 years of age, will learn how to draw and paint in this one-hour monthly class.

Art Club
Monday, April 4 — 6 p.m.
Kids will create a fun project and learn something new about art.

STEAM Team Twister
Thursday, April 14 — 6 p.m.
Kids from 1st to 5th grade will learn about tornadoes using games, experiments, and crafts to explore this topic.

The Interactive *Wizard of Oz*
Saturday, April 16 — 1:30-4:30 p.m.
Families are invited to watch the classic film, *The Wizard of Oz*, while blowing bubbles, sharing lollipops, or throwing apples and other interactive activities. Snacks provided.

LEGO Mania
Monday, April 18 — 4 p.m.
Children in kindergarten through grade 5 will build with the library's LEGO blocks.

Home School Kids – Earth Day
Friday, April 22 — 10:30 a.m.
Home schooled kids will celebrate Earth Day with earth friendly stories and activities; play a game, and have a snack.